THE WEATHER.

Unsettled weather, probably rain today and Saturday; light to variable winds.

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SAY GOVERNMENT'S CHARGES UNTRUE

Attorney for Defense Outlines Case for the Meat Packers.

DESCRIBE BUSINESS METHODS

Went Into Detail as to How Buying, Selling and Accounting is Done by Packers—Judge's Ruling.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Denying every material allegation made by the government against the ten Chicago packers on trial before United States District Judge Carpenter for violation of the criminal sections of the Sherman law, Attorney George T. Buckingham today outlined the case of the defendants in an opening statement to the jury.

The defense met defeat when Judge Carpenter, at the opening of court denied motions to eliminate counts two and three from the indictment and to have the jury disregard statements made by District Attorney Wilkerson in his opening argument regarding certain acts of the defendants prior to the three year period covered by the indictment.

Attorney Buckingham described in detail the method of buying, selling and accounting used by the packers and declared that the unusual nature of the business made some such system absolutely necessary. In outlining the packers' defense, Attorney Buckingham made salient statements in reply to the charges of the government, among which were:

"That the business operations of the packers do not constitute an undue and unreasonable restraint of trade under the Sherman law as recently interpreted by the United States Supreme Court in the cases of the Standard Oil Company and the American Tobacco Company.

"That the public has been benefitted rather than injured by the operations of the packers.

"That the government's proof of the alleged combination must be confined to the three year period subsequently to 1907.

"That the profits of the packers do not exceed 10 per cent. on the actual money invested.

"That the profits on the sales of meat do not exceed 3 per cent.

"That no agreement on the purchase of cattle or on the sale of meat existed among the defendants.

"That the weekly meetings of packers, held prior to 1902 were for the sole purpose of preventing the overstocking of the market with perishable fresh meat and not to fix prices or suppress competition.

"That there are nearly 300 independent concerns in daily competition with the indicted packers.

"That the defendants supply less than 70 per cent. of the meat used in this country.

"That the high cost of meat is the result of a variety of economic causes and not due to any combination among packers.

"That the National Packing Company was organized in good faith to transact a legitimate business and not the perpetuate any system for the fixing of prices or the control of the product."

Attorney M. W. Borders, representing the Morris group of defendants, will speak tomorrow morning.

PRESIDENT PRINCIPAL SPEAKER.

Mr. Taft Has Accepted Invitation to Address Commercial Congress.

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Taft today tentatively accepted an invitation to address the Southern Commercial Congress at its second annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., next April. Senator Fletcher, of Florida, president of the congress, and members of the Tennessee delegation, extended the invitation. Senator Fletcher also presented Mr. Taft with a Morocco bound volume containing the speeches delivered at the Atlanta meeting of the congress last March, when Mr. Taft was the principal speaker. "This volume," said Senator Fletcher, "voices an insistent call upon both North and South to rally in terms of commerce and peace as contrasted with the condition which compelled both North and South to rally 50 years ago in terms of strife and blood-shed. Our Nation must learn the contrast rather than revive the memory and story of the strife that was."

BIGELOW'S FUNERAL.

Will be Held in St. George's Episcopal Church—Pall-Bearers.

New York, Dec. 21.—Arrangements for the funeral tomorrow of John Bigelow, the historian and publicist, were completed today. The services will be held in St. George's Episcopal Church and Bishop Greer will officiate.

The pall bearers will be J. P. Morgan, Joseph H. Choate, L. T. V. Randolph and Scott Foster. The Chamber of Commerce has appointed Gen. Horace Porter, Seth Low, William Bayard Cutting, Edward W. Sheldon, Frank Scott and Frank H. Dodd to represent the chamber at the funeral.

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION

That [illegible]l to Harriman in 1904 Campaign [illegible]ve Only to Help Higgins [illegible]ew York—Amount [illegible]s Large

New York, Dec. 21.—The following correspondence between Theodore Roosevelt and George R. Sheldon, treasurer of the Republican National Committee, was made public today:

"December 10th, 1911.

"Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Oyster Bay, N. Y.

"Dear Mr. Roosevelt:—Ever since the election in 1904, the story has been continuously published and never denied, except by you, that you asked Mr. E. H. Harriman to contribute money to aid in your election, and that he thereupon raised or contributed $250,000 to the National committee fund. Knowing this to be untrue, I several times suggested to my superior officer, Mr. C. N. Bliss, then treasurer of the National committee, that the facts in the case be plainly stated. Mr. Bliss always believed that the books and accounts of the National committee were private and although always carried on by him with the highest sense of integrity and honor, he never, like all of his contemporaries, would consent to any publicity. This feeling has been changed in the past few years by the laws requiring full publicity in elections. It seems, therefore, to me that now in justice to you, the facts in the case ought to be known.

"Everyone knew and conceded that in the election of 1904 you would carry the State of New York by a large plurality but it was generally believed that Mr. Higgins would be defeated. The Democrats centered their efforts on the election of their candidate for governor. About a week before the election Mr. Odell, then chairman of the New York State Committee, came to Mr. Bliss and told him that unless he had $250,000 from the National committee that the State ticket would be defeated. Mr. Bliss told Chairman Odell that he had no money to give, but would see what could be done. He visited Mr. E. H. Harriman at his office and explained to him the urgency of the situation as told by Mr. Odell.

"Mr. Harriman thereupon called up several of his friends on the telephone and next day handed Mr. Bliss $160,000. Mr. Bliss himself, raised $80,000. This sum of $240,000 was handed directly to Chairman Odell and never in any way went into the treasury of the National committee which had in charge the Presidential election. I have personal knowledge of all the within mentioned facts.

"Very truly yours,

"GEORGE R. SHELDON,

"Treasurer Republican National Committee."

The Outlook, 287 Fourth Ave.
Office of Theodore Roosevelt.
"New York, Dec. 19th, 1911.

"Mr. George R. Sheldon,
"62 Cedar Street, New York.

"Dear Mr. Sheldon:—I thank you for your letter, and I am glad that it was written. There is little for me to add to what you have said. I never directly or indirectly in any shape, way or form, asked Mr. Harriman or anybody else to contribute a dollar to aid in my election. Moreover, on the only occasion on which Mr. Harriman ever spoke to me on the subject at all he did so of his own initiative; and so far from there being any request from me to him, he made to me the request that I would aid him in getting the National committee to contribute some of its funds for the campaign expenses of Mr. Higgins, the candidate for Governor in New York State. He at the time stated to me that my own election was assured, that the election of Mr. Higgins, in which he was especially interested, was doubtful and that he earnestly hoped that the National committee would divert some of its funds from the National to the State campaign where the need was great and where he believed the election of Mr. Higgins to be in jeopardy. As shown in your letter, this was precisely what the National committee did.

"Yours very truly,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

N. C. ASSOCIATION

Two Days' Session Adjourns—Favors Lincoln Memorial

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 21.—Delegates attending the two-days' session of the North Carolina Architectural Association which was concluded here today, went on record as favoring the erection of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington in lieu of the proposed memorial roadway to Gettysburg.

A resolution was adopted urging the United States Senators and Congressmen of the State to advocate that future landscape buildings and monuments in Washington including the Lincoln Memorial be erected and located so as to conform with the plans of the park commission. Also that the Lincoln memorial be located on the site proposed in the Park Commission plans in lieu of the proposed memorial roadway to Gettysburg which it is estimated would cost $34,600,000.

Asheville was selected as the place for the next meeting to be held in uly, 1912.

Dear Mother:—Those quilted Satin Lined Boudoir Slippers in all colors at $1.00 at Hewlett & Price's, are just what I want for Xmas. Daughter. **

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, they must be sold, our prices are right. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also ca[illegible]nex, 131 Market. de 18-6t

Large family pie—Pumpkin, potato, lemon, cocoanut and mince meat. Fruit cake 25c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

A FRIENDLY GIFT TO THIS COUNTRY

France Will Present Bust of "La France" to United States.

GET PUBLIC SUBSCRIPTION

Statesmen Head List—Bust Will Be Placed Beside Champlain Monument to Be Dedicated Next June

Paris, Dec. 21.—France is arranging another imposing testimonial of her friendship for the United States. Tomorrow a public subscription is to be opened to offer a bronze bust of "LaFrance" by the illustrious French sculptor Auguste Rodin, which will be placed at the monument to be dedicated next June to Samuel de Champlain, the French navigator, explorer and discoverer of the lake that bears his name.

Like the gift from the people of France of Bartholdi's "statue of liberty," the presentation of "La France," which is the figure of a woman, marks historically another epoch on the relations of fraternity between France and the United States of America.

President Fallieres will head the list of subscribers and will be followed by foreign minister, Justin De Selves, Ambassador Jules Jusserant, Gabriel Hanotaux, president of the Franco-American commission for the development of political, economic, literary and artistic relations, and Count DeRochambeau.

The initiative of the movement eminated with Ambassador Jurresand in accord with the French foreign office but as it was wished to have a public rather than a governmental testimonial the Franco-American committee was requested to assume the direction.

An appeal to the public for subscriptions will appear in the newspapers tomorrow. This will indicate that France is deeply touched by the frequent manifestations of American friendship for this country through the dedication of statues of Frenchmen in America.

The approaching glorification of Champlain who conceived a vast project of a French-America from Canada to Louisiana, on which later the great American republic was developed, is admirably suited to express the warmth of French affection.

Gabriel Honotaux will relate tomorrow in the Figaro the interesting story of how Auguste Rodin's La France happened to be selected. He says the committee was at a loss to know just what offering to send to America which would harmonize with the imposing architecture of the Champlain monument. It finally decided that the offering must be a true jewel. The members first visited the studio of Auguste Rodin because he is popular in America and walked through the various saloons. Suddenly they discovered the bronze bust "La France." The writer continues: "Imagine our emotion! We sought a symbol and we found France herself—a pretty France full of grace, vivacity and courage, a young French woman with a frank and loyal regard, a young woman who is a replica of our Clotildes, Henriettes, Blanches and Jeannes. Her hair is arranged like a helmet and her attire is a Cuirass. We scught a French thought, and we found an image of France herself."

The bust will be mounted on a marble base with a marble representation of the American and French flags. It will be presented by a special delegation of Frenchmen including members of the Franco-American committee.

RICHESON'S WOUND PAINFUL

Kept Under Opiates and Unable to Converse With Attorney

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Kept under opiates throughout the day to deaden the pain from his self-inflicted wounds, the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson was unable to converse with his counsel William A. Morse, in his cell today so that his silence regarding his act remains unbroken. Physicians held out encouragement as to the prosiner's early recovery, declaring that barring the danger of sepsis which was a possibility, he would be physically able to appear in court on January 15th, when he is to stand trial for the alleged murder of Avis Linnel.

Mr. Morse, one of Richeson's attorneys, contends that the trial should be postponed, saying yesterday's incident must cause delay inasmuch as Richeson will not be physically fit to stand repeated interviews with counsel in preparation for the trial.

That the State intends to adhere to its determination to call the case on January 15th was further shown today when a witness for the prosecution was arrested and held in $300 to appear on January 15th. The witness is Charles S. Pierce, of Sulphur Springs, Texas, a student at the Newton Theological Seminary, which Richeson attended. It is understood that the State feared Pierce would go home for the holidays and might not return in time.

Large family pie—Pumpkin, potato, lemon, cocoanut and mince meat. Fruit cake 25c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

BRING IN IMPORTANT WITNESS

Tiffin Policeman Gives Federal Officers Important Data—Witnesses Will Be Numerous and Evidence Voluminous

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—Claude E. Myers, chief of police of Tiffin, Ohio, where 540 pounds of dynamite and other explosives were found hidden in a barn the day after the arrest of John J. McNamara in Indianapolis on April 22nd, last, was the chief witness before the Federal grand jury in the investigation of the dynamiting conspiracy today.

He was among those from whom it was said the investigators expect to learn facts as to who besides the McNamara and Ortie McManigal were implicated particularly in the explosions in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana to carry on which the stores of explosives at Tiffin were used as a base of supplies. Information was said to have been obtained by District Attorney Charles W. Miller that the explosions were directed from McNamaras' headquarters in Indianapolis, whereas, secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers he had his offices, although the suggestion for the destruction of property erected by firms employing non-union men came originally from the city where the explosions afterwards took place.

In connection with Chief Myers' appearance it was learned the District Attorney's office had accummulated important data relative to local conditions in the score of cities where structures were blown up in the last five years.

County Prosecutor Frank P. Baker also was before the grand jury. He was summoned because of his work as prosecutor in conducting before the county grand jury an investigation of explosions in Indianapolis. Baker earlier in the day, had been fined $50 for contempt because he interrupted a murder trial in the county court by dragging in a detective who was working on the dynamite investigation and whom Baker said was "shadowing" him.

Seven days' work by the Federal grand jury developed that the evidence is more voluminous and the number of witnesses to be called from distant cities is greater than was anticipated. The investigation temporarily will stop tomorrow when the jurors will adjourn until January 3rd. It will then require a month to complete the inquiry.

PRESSURE OF CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Rush is Great—This Year Will Probably Head Other Years.

Washington, Dec. 21—Although four days before Christmas the crush of holiday matter in the mails is so great that Postmaster General Hitchcock today issued orders that Postoffice clerks and carriers must work Sunday in the distribution of letters and packages. This is done in spite of the department rule.

Instructions have been given to the postmasters of the larger cities to care for the prompt distribution of mail matter, and to this end authority is given for the hiring of wagons and teams. The present indications are that the pressure of Christmas mail this year will be greater than ever before in the history of the Postoffice Department.

THE PRESIDENT SHOPPING.

Mr. Taft Makes Personal Selection of Christmas Gifts.

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Taft, who began his Christmas shopping in New York, made a trip through the down town section late today and personally selected a number of gifts.

The President's objective points was a book store, but en route he spent some time at a silversmith's where he made several purchases.

The President confined his purchases to standard works and let the "best sellers" go by.

OUTLINES.

Congress adjourned yesterday for the holiday recess, and will reassemble on January 3rd.——Experts in the Department of Agriculture say that the United States will soon be supplying not only her own demand for potash, but will have plenty for export. It can be taken from the sea weed which is in abundance on the Pacific coast——President Taft yesterday attached his signature to the resolution for abrogating the Russian treaty of 1832 and the abrogation is now a reality.——Important witnesses are being brought before the Federal grand jury investigating the dynamiting cases at Indianapolis. It is said that the witnesses will be numerous and the evidence voluminous——The Chinese Premier refuses to give his acceptance to the establishment of a Republic in China——In outlining the case of the defense the attorneys for the Chicago packers branded the government's charges untrue, and recited the methods of carrying on business.

New York markets: Money on call steady 3 1-2 to 4 per cent., ruling rate 4, closing bid 3 3-4, offered at 4. Spot cotton closed quiet. Four, quiet and about steady. Wheat, spot easy. No. 2 red 95 1-2 elevator, export basis, to arrive, and 98 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, spot easy. Turpentine quiet. Rosin steady.

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, they must be sold, our prices are right. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also call at Annex, 131 Market. de 18-6t

PREMIER DOESN'T FAVOR REPUBLIC

Yuan Shi Kai Will Probably Uphold the Chinese Monarchy.

NEW SITUATION HAS ARISEN

Great Britain Strengthened in Support of Premier's Monarchial Programme—Seeks Aid From Other Countries

Peking, Dec. 21.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai today gave his answer to those who are aiming to transform China into a Republic. In an official statement he declared without qualification that he refused to accept a Republic.

At the Shanghai peace conference yesterday Wu Ting Fang, foreign minister in the revolutionary provisional cabinet, spoke strongly in favor of a Republic, and later Tang Shao Yi said that he was convinced that the abdication of the Emperor and the establishment of a Republic was the only thing that would satisfy the people. At the same time he expressed doubt whether it would be possible to persuade Yuan Shi Kai to abandon his plan for a limited monarchy.

It is believed here that Yuan Shi Kai means what he says and will uphold the monarchy. A new situation has arisen. Great Britain, which has been supporting the Premier's monarchial programme for several weeks, is now strengthened by Japan and is endeavoring to obtain the support of the United States and other countries.

Great Britain believes the separation of the dependencies, Manchuria, Mongolia and Thibet, and the serious disintegration of China proper would result from the establishment of a Republic, whereas, the Republicans have already obtained in a material way everything they desired. Only the name of the monarchy is left.

It is stated that the American group, if not the American State Department, already supports the British idea, and are ready with two, if not three of the others of the "four nation group" of financiers to lend Yuan Shi Kai's government money. Negotiations to this end have been proceeding for some days.

It was on Great Britain's initiative that the six powers urged the Shanghai peace conference to reach an agreement. Now Great Britain is endeavoring to persuade the rebels to come to terms. It is pointed out that British interference is not directed against China's interests, but against the sentimental idea in such cases where the practical interests of the entire nation are being jeopardized. The extension of the armistice for ten days to which the revolutionists have agreed has given some hope, but unless the revolutionists accept Premier Yuan's offer the only alternative is continuation of the conflict with possible division of the country, the dependencies rallying around the northern empire.

The Premier has sent 3,000 troops of the 20th division to Chin Wang Tao on the coast of Chili with the object of preventing Republican troops from assembling in the north. Precautions are also being taken below Tien Tsin.

Shanghai, China, Dec. 21.—The Revolutionary leaders here positively assert that if Yuan Shi Kai persists in his refusal to accept a Republic, the powers giving him their support would be regarded as the enemies of China, and the lives of all foreigners in China would be jeopardized.

It is generally believed among the Revolutionists that Great Britain is supporting the monarchy solely because of the dangerous example which would be set for India, should China become a Republic.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the reform leader, is due to arrive here in a few days and it is believed that he will assume the leadership of the South. Large reinforcements of well-armed and well-trained troops are arriving from Canton.

The Manchurian Situation

Harbin, Manchuria, December 21.—The declaration of Mongolia automony at Urga, the capital, recently was due to the action of the ecclesiasts, and this has an important bearing on the situation because of the power possessed by the Dalai Lama of Thibet who is now in exile in India to unite political and eccesiastical Monoglia in support of the movement at Urga.

The Manchu Amban or governmental report who was driven from Urga is expected to reach the Manchurian frontier tomorrow. A special car has been provided for his use by the trans-Baikal Railway.

Representatives from Mongolia have applied to Russia, through General Horvath, the Russian commander at Harbin, for arms for one hundred thousand infantry, and great body of cavalry. The time expired Russian regulars on their way home, who stopped at Harbin, have been sent back to barracks at Ussuri, on the Chinese frontier. The time expired railway guards have been turned back from Trans-Bakali to barracks in Manchuria. Russia has additional forces in Trans-Bakali numbering in all 30,000 men and the Irkutsk-Machuria Railway has been placed in preparation for the mobilization of the reserve. Three thousand troop cars have been concentrated for immediate use.

Delicious chocolate candy 20c per pound. Warren's Bakery, Phone 246. **

GET POTASH FROM SEA WEED

Experts Say United States Should Soon Be Supplying Its Own Demand and Export Considerable Amount

Washington, Dec. 21.—The United States will not have to depend on Germany much longer for its potash with which to make fertilizer, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson stated today. In the near future the United States should be able not only to supply its own needs, but also to export a considerable amount of potash, he said.

The principal source of American potash, the experts of the Agricultural Department report will be in the kelp or seaweed of the Pacific coast. This plant extracts salts from sea water and from 25 to 35 per cent. of its weight is potassium chloride. The Pacific coast should yield annually about 1,000,000 tons, worth $40,000,000.

In addition to the potash, Kelp contains iodine and many other by-products which may "more than pay the manufacturing expenses, leaving the potassium chloride free of cost," the investigators report. Cattle food, glue, shellac, paper and even candy can be made from the plant.

If properly harvested and protected the Pacific Kelp groves, it is said, should yield annual harvests indefinitely; and along the Southern coast, it is possible that two crops a year may be obtained.

IMMENSE WASTE OF WOOD

Millions of Dollars in Wood is Annually Destroyed

Washington, Dec. 21.—A great undeveloped industry, worth millions of dollars annually, lies at the doors of the people of the South and the far northwest in the immense wastes of wood incident to the manufacture of lumber.

An amazing statement of these wastes and the consequent loss in wealth and conservation of timber resources, is made as a result of a two-years government investigation, not yet concluded by F. P. Veitch, chief of the leather and paper division of the Bureau of Chemistry, and M. G. Donk, assistant chemist, whose preliminary conclusions have just been made public.

"The waste wood of the South and northwest from the lumber industry—tops, stumps, slabs and sawdust, and the dead and down timber from fires and storms—furnishes one of the great undeveloped resources of this country," says the investigators. "From this wood, by industrially developed chemical methods, the entire output of naval stores, embracing turpentine, rosin, tars, pitch, rosin spirits, and rosin oils, having an annual value of at least $30,000,000, may be obtained without boxing or turpentining a single live tree.

"It is possible to recover from the wastes of the yellow pine lumber industry (including dead and down timber) as much or more turpentine, rosin and rosin oils as are now produced by the ordinary methods of turpentining from the living tree. The profitable utilization of mill wastes in this way would add materially to the wealth of the South and help to conserve its timber resources.

"There is more than sufficient waste material to yield annually all the papers (except news), paper and box board, and building board required, for which wood is suitable.

"More methyl alcohol, acetate of lime, and acetone can be produced from this wood than is now made in the country, and large quantities of ethyl alcohol may also be recovered.

"There are millions of acres of cut-over land covered with stumps and dead and down timber, all of which, because of its resinous nature, decays very slowly, enduring for years. There is enough of such material to supply all demands for the above mentioned products for a very long period. The processes, equipment, and technique for the utilization of this material are either in operation or may be readily devised."

OFFICERS ARE ACQUITTED.

Are Not Held Responsible for Explosion on French Battleship.

Toulon, Dec. 21.—The court martial to fix responsibility for the explosion on the French battleship Liberte, which occurred in Toulon harbor September 25th, today acquitted all the officers. Admiral Jaureguiberry presided, and at the opening of the court martial announced that although the officers were in trial, Capt. Jaures, commander of the Liberte, was in no way responsible as he was absent on leave while the others had done everything possible to cope with the disaster.

After the decision was announced the president of the court called up Lieuts. Garnier and Bignon and warmly congratulated them on their splendid behavior. Lieut. Barnier was temporarily in command of the Liberte at the time of the explosion, which resulted in the death of 235 men and the serious injury of nearly 100.

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Taft today sent the following telegram of sympathy to Miss Grace Bigelow, daughter of John Bigelow, who died in New York Tuesday: "I extend to you and to your father's family my deep sympathy in your present sorrow. John Bigelow has been an historic figure in his elevating influence on public affairs for half a century."

Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street de 3-tf.

ADJOURNED UNTIL AFTER HOLIDAYS

Congress Will Take a Recess, Convening Again on January 3rd.

TREATY RESOLUTION SIGNED

Treaty of Long Standing Brought to an End—Republicans Will Work on Wool Bill During the Holidays.

Washington, Dec. 21.—With Secretary of State Knox as the only witness President Taft at 10:17 A. M. today signed the joint resolution passed by Congress ratifying his action in serving notice on Russia of the abrogation of the treaty of 1832, with that country. The treaty automatically will continue in effect until January 1, 1913. In the meantime efforts will be made to negotiate a new treaty eliminating the causes of friction which led to the termination of the old one.

The House late yesterday accepted the Senate resolution as a substitute for the Sulzer resolution which initiated the legislation.

Wool Bill to be Framed.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A wool bill framed according to President Taft's recommendations on the tariff board's report on schedule K, will be prepared by the House Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee. Republican leaders in the Senate, who have similar plans, suggested today that the Senate and House Republicans would get together during the Christmas recess and have a bill ready by the time the Democrats have a measure ready to report.

Regular Republicans in the Senate say they will frame a bill that will put the issue of protection clearly up to the progressives and force them on record. The progressive leaders retorted that they were already on record in favor of a protective duty equal to the difference in the cost of production here and abroad.

Some of the Senate leaders expressed great concern as to where the progressives would stand on the Democratic wool bill, which is sure to come over from the House. The general opinion seemed to be that the progressive Republicans would take their choice of the two measures and use the strength which a merger with the Democrats would give them to force amendments to the Republican bill. Progressive leaders say they are anxious to revise schedule K, at this session of Congress and they promise to use all the practices known to Senate tactics to do it.

It seems to be agreed that the progressives will take no step in framing a measure now, but will depend upon the two which are certain to come from the regular Republicans and the Democrats. Most of the progressive leaders will be away from Washington during the Christmas holidays. Senator LaFollette is to speak in Ohio and so will Senator Clapp and others. The House progressives also will campaign in Ohio, Representatives Murdock, Lenroot and Norris being among those who are intending to speak.

Cut Down Appropriations.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A victory for the House in the conference over the Urgent Deficient Appropriation bill was contained in the report of the conferees today. Out of $821,871 in appropriations attached to the bill by the Senate, only $93,000 remained when the conference committe reported an agreement. Applause greeted the announcement in the House. The bill as finally agreed to carries $2,457,756. Both houses adopted the report and sent the measure to the President. It was the first of the big supply measures of the Congress.

AGREE ON NEW PLAN

Finance Administration of Presbyterian Assembly Will be Changed

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—A new plan of administering the finances of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church was agreed upon today by the committee to which the subject was referred at the last meeting of the assembly. The systems which become effective on December 30th provides for the lection of a trust company in this city as treasurer; the preparation of a budget of expenses for the office of the stated clerk, for special committees of the General Assembly and for the expenses of commissioners at the General Assembly.

Supervision of all finances by the finance committee of the excutive commission is also provided for. The plan is in full accord with the ideas of the Rev. William H. Roberts, stated clerk of the Assembly, who for many years has been acting as treasurer.

Today's decision was the result of several meetings of the committees which consists of Rev. John F. Carson, medorator of the General Assembly; Rev. William Foulkes, New York city; Rev. William P. Fulton, Philadelphia; Henry B. McCormick, Harrisburg, and Judge E. E. Beard, Lebanon, Tenn. The question of combining the ministerial sustentation fund, and the Presbyterian board of relief, which was also referred to the committee will be considered at a future meeting.

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

FOR HARMON'S NOMINATION

Solid Ohio Delegation Walk in the Governor's Office Unexpectedly

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 21.—A solid Ohio delegation to support Governor Judson Harmon for the Presidential nomination at the Democratic National Convention is the aim of an organization formed today by State officers at a meeting called without the Governor's knowledge in his office. Governor Harmon was a surprised spectator when the officers filed in and opened their meeting.

Superintendent of Insurance E. H. Moore who was elected chairman, was authorized to appoint a committee of seven to work in co-operation with Lieutenant Governor Hugh L. Nichols, who will be in charge of the Washington headquarters of the Harmon Presidential campaign. Governor Harmon expressed his appreciation of the endorsement but told the officials that his candidacy was in the hands of his friends and that he did not want sentiment manufactured for him.

SEVERE FIGHTING

Italians and Turks Fight All Day---Many Are Dead

London, Dec. 21.—According to the latest dispatches received here the engagement on Tuesday between a comparatively small Italian reconnoitering party, and three thousand Turks and Arabs, near Bir Tobras, some miles outside the town of Tripoli, was even more sever than at first reported. The contending parties fought all day, the Italians having six killed and eighty wounded, and the Turks suffering a loss of 300 men killed or wounded. This, however, is the Italian estimate.

Another belated dispatch reports a fight at Derna on December 16th, in which the casualties were smaller. It is said that 15,000 Arabs and Turks have assembled within four or five miles of the Italian trenches at Tobruk.

According to dispatches to a news agency six Italian warships have appeared off Durazzo on the Albanian coast and the inhabitants are preparing for flight.

WALTHAM NOT IMPLICATED

Will Not Be Affected by Case Against Keystone Company

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—The Waltham Watch Company is not implicated in the suit begun by the federal government in the United States Circuit Court at Philadelphia against the Keystone Watch Case Company, according to a statement made today by E. C. Fitch, of Boston, president of the Waltham Company. The Keystone Company is alleged by the government to be a monopoly in restraint of trade under the Sherman anti-trust law.

Mr. Fitch asserted that in the watch movement business there was now a healthy competition.

"It is absolutely impossible," he said, "that we can be affected by the action of the Federal government, since we are connected with the Keystone Company except by contract."

BULLET HOLE IN HIS TEMPLE

German a Suicide Because Lady Will Marry Another

Nashville, Dec. 21.—When J. F. Krohmer opened his meat market this morning he found his kinsman and employe, Will Allmendar, aged 22, dead with a bullet hole in his temple. To disappointment of love the suicide is ascribed.

Allmender, who came from Wittenburg, Germany, five years ago, had been paying court to Mrs. Grace Bowers. Yesterday a friend of the latter told Allmendar he would have to get another sweetheart as Mrs. Bowers would marry today. Allmendar joked with her about the news.

Later he called up Mrs. Bowers and the report was verified. Mrs. Bowers will marry Lawrence Hall, of this county, this afternoon. She said in the eight months of his attention Allmendar said no word of love to her.

REYES DODGES SCOUTS

He and His Little Staff Are Lost by Army Scouts

Monterey, Mexico, Dec. 21.—Army scouts appear to have lost the trail of General Reyes and his little staff. In the last 24 hours no definite reports regarding his whereabouts have been received at army headquarters. It is conceded he must yet be in the neighborhood of the Western Tamaulipas State line but the exact location is now only guessed at by officers commanding detachments detailed on the chase. Losing the track has caused no uneasiness among army officers who profess they would not be surprised should Reyes voluntarily surrender, realizing his efforts to incite a general rebellion have failed. Five hundred troops are now riding the plains and hills seeking to pick up the trail.

THE ONLY HOPE

Declares Roosevelt the Only Republican Who Could Win

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 21.—Declaring that Colonel Theodore Roosevelt is the only Republican who can lead his party to victory next year, Walter E. Brown, of Toledo, chairman of the Republican Central Committee, proposed the selection of Ohio delegates at large to the National Republican convention by a convention of delegates elected from each district of the State in a statement issued here tonight. In making this recommendation Chairman Brown calls attention to the fact that under the call of the National Republican committee the delegates cannot be chosen in a party primary.

WOODROW WILSON CLUBS.

Have Been Promised in Every County in Illinois.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Woodrow Wilson clubs in every county in Illinois were promised the National organization, which is promoting the New Jersey man's candidacy for President on the Democratic ticket, by the Woodrow Wilson Club, of Illinois, at its meeting here today.

Headquarters will be opened in Chicago January 1st, and the county societies will report to that office. Governor Deneen was appealed to in resolutions adopted today to call a special session of the Legislature to pass an amendment to the primary election law, providing for a Presidential primary.

WHOLESALE DISMISSAL.

Census Bureau's Force May be Cut to Nearly Half.

Washington, Dec. 21.—As a result of the action of Congress today in allowing only one-half of the $1,000,000 asked to continue the work of the 13th census a wholesale dismissal of clerks from the census bureau is expected. Friends of Director Durand suggested tonight that he himself might retire as soon as he could readjust his office to meet the limits of the appropriation.

It costs approximately $250,000 a month to run the bureau with the present force which numbers about 2,500 and which it is said will be reduced to 1,000.

Director Durand, Assistant Director Falkner, the six chief statisticians, and the heads of the various bureaus held a conference late today and it is understood plans were made for laying off of a part of the force on January 1st and for a further reduction a month later. It is estimated that some of the census reports may be delayed one or two years on account of the decision of Congress to cut the appropriation.

PROPOSE COMPROMISE.

Delinquent Corporations Seek Settlement Without Suit.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The 30,000 corporations which failed to make the necessary returns to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the year 1910, showing their net income as a basis for taxation under the corporation tax law, are endeavoring to make compromises with the government. The delay in most cases was due to the question of the constitutionality of the law.

Since the Supreme Court rendered its decision on this point last March about 28,000 of the delinquent concerns have proposed compromises. The remainder will be prosecuted to obtain the revenue. Commissioner of Internal Revenue Cabell has requested all United States attorneys who will be engaged in this litigation to obtain the penalty, ranging from $1,000 to $10,000, for the non-presentation of returns through a civil suit instead of by indictment.

SAYS WIFE HAS MUCH TIME.

Mother of Fifteen a Loafer, According to Accused Husband.

Milwaukee, Dec. 21.—Women are lazy creatures at the best, according to Stephen Stake, of 910 Dousman street, who was arraigned in district court Wednesday for abandonment. Stake is the father of 15 children, all of whom are living, and his earnings are $9 per week. One of the children earns $4 per week.

"Tht wife of mine is no good, judge," said Stake. "All she has to do is to take care of the 15 kids. And I give her all of my money to do it with, and she don't save nothing. I lose money by that woman."

The woman said that Stake spent most of his money in saloons. The court placed him on probation for one month.

SEEK AMERICAN PINE CONES

Foreign Countries Wanting Them for Reforestation

Bemidji, Minn., Dec. 21.—Jack pine cones from the forest of northern Minnesota are to be shipped to for[illegible]ntries which are engaged in reforestation. Fifty cents a bushel is offered for the cones.

A Connecticut concern has a contract to ship large consignments to Switzerland, France, England, Germany, Japan and other countries, and has appealed to the Minnesota forestry board to assist in the work of collection. In Connecticut the seeds will be extracted by a special process before being shipped abroad.

CATS AND DOGS CAUSE DIVORCE

Woman Does Everything for Her Pets, Says Veteran Husband

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—Naming as co-respondent, noa another man, but 35 cats and two dogs, Samuel Pomeroy, of Bethel, Kan., has filed suit for divorce.

He asserted in his petition that after his marriage four years ago his wife added the pets to the household and gave them more care than she gave him. Pomeroy is 74 years old and a Civil war veteran.

"In all my experience of four years as a soldier," he said, "I never had to contend with such conditions as those dogs and cats created at my home."

PANAMAIANS INSURGE.

Serious Street Political Battle Lasting for Two Days.

New York, Dec. 21.—Dispatches received here from the city of Panama tell of a fierce political street battle lasting two days between followers of Arosemena and Porras, rival candidates for the Presidency.

Serious injury to a large number of participants is reported and the situation is said to be so alarming that the United States may be compelled to interrene.

Some Americans who are conversant with the facts believe that the little Republic is on the verge of revolution.

SEABOARD WRECK

Fast Passenger Train Comes to Grief Near Atlanta, Ga.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—Several passengers are reported injured, none seriously, in a wreck of fast passenger train No. 38, on the Seaboard Air Line, about 25 miles north of Atlanta, about 11 o'clock tonight. A wrecking crew has been sent to the scene.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Report on a theft of $25,000 worth of unset diamonds from the wallet of a diamond broker was made to the police today. Samuel Scott, the broker, told the police he lost the jewels Tuesday and believed they were taken from his pocket while he was playing pool in a down town billiard and pool hall.

London, Dec. 21.---A Teheran dispatch to the Times says tnat the Russians have seized the telegraph lines at Mehrand and Khoi, in the province of Azerbaijan, northern Persia and Astara, on the Caspian sea.

Washington, Dec. 21.---Both Houses of Congress adjourned today for the holiday recess and re-assembles at noon January 3rd. Hhe House adjourned at 2:31 P. M. and the Senate at 2:34 P. M.

Pure pound cake 25c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

A Clean Man

Outside cleanliness is less than half the battle. A man may scrub himself a dozen times a day, and still be unclean. Good health means cleanliness not only outside, but inside. It means a clean stomach, clean bowels, clean blood, a clean liver, and new, clean, healthy tissues. The man who is clean in this way will look it and act it. He will work with energy and think clean, clear, healthy thoughts.

He will never be troubled with liver, lung, stomach or blood disorders. Dyspepsia and indigestion originate in unclean stomachs. Blood diseases are found where there is unclean blood. Consumption and bronchitis mean unclean lungs.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery

prevents these diseases. It makes a man's insides clean and healthy. It cleans the digestive organs, makes pure, clean blood, and clean, healthy flesh.

It restores tone to the nervous system, and cures nervous exhaustion and prostration. It contains no alcohol or habit-forming drugs.

Constipation is the most unclean uncleanliness. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure it. They never gripe. Easy to take as candy.

Young Harris, Ga., Dec. 21.—Fire which burned for three hours yesterday afternoon destroyed the auditorium and academy buildings of Young Harris College, the Methodist church and half a dozen barns here. Only the work of the college students prevented the college library and the Jenkins building from being burned. The origin of the flames is not known. Loss $11,000.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—According to reports received from the town of Julfa, a suburb of Ispahan, Persia, the Persians today attacked a Russian detachment. The firing lasted all day and artillery took part in the engagement. Telegraphic communication with Persia has been interrupted.

See Dick Warren about your Xmas cakes. Phone 246. **

"CHRISTMAS comes but once a year," says the old song. It's too bad it doesn't come more frequently for our pleasure and the pleasure we give; for the joy and good will which the season brings and cultivates; but maybe once a year is enough for our pocketbooks.

You'll find this store particularly a place where suitable Christmas gifts for men may be had; we're giving you a small list of them here, just as a hint of what you'll find here; there are a lot more not in this list that are waiting for you here.

Men's Clothing.
Hart, Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats.
Hart, Schaffner & Marx Full Dress or Tuxedo Suits.

House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes.
These things any man is glad to possess; we have a large variety of them.

Neckwear.
Four-in-Hands; String or Batwing Bows; Knit Silk Ties, a big variety from 25 cents up to $2.50.

Suspenders.
A great variety, 25 cents up. Fine ones of Silk, in boxes, 50 cents up.

Hosiery.
All colors, all grades, from fine cottons at 25 cents, up to pure silk at 50 cents up. Pure silk hose and tie to match in individual boxes.

Handkerchiefs.
You don't expect a good linen Handkerchief at less than 25 cents; from that up to pure silk at $1 and more.

Gloves.
All kinds of gloves; for dress, for driving, for work, for warmth; We can supply any need. Dress gloves up to $2.50. Fur lined gloves up to $5.

Men's Jewelry.
Studs, cuff links, pins, sets, links and pins to match, full dress sets. You can get almost anything you want here, from 50 cents up.

Leather Goods.
Small boxes for holding pins and studs, collar and cuff bags, suit cases. You'll find inexpensive nice things among them, as well as the finest possible.

Sweaters, Sweater Coats, Mufflers

Shirts, Night Shirts, Pajamas.

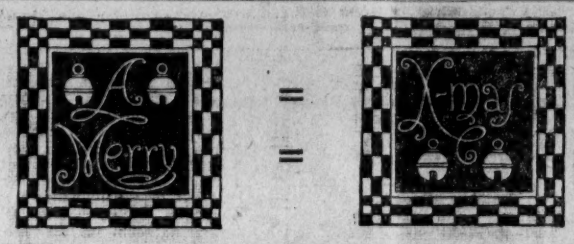
Hats. Caps.

Fancy Waistcoats.
Many new and beautiful weaves, colors and patterns.

Umbrellas.
Fine ones covered with pure silk, richly mounted, $3.50 up. Other good ones from $1 up.

Special Note.
In any goods where the right size is important, if you don't know the size, and can't find out, we'll help you; and anything that isn't right may be returned.

When you're trying to think of something to give a man for Christmas think of this man's store; we'll help you all we can.



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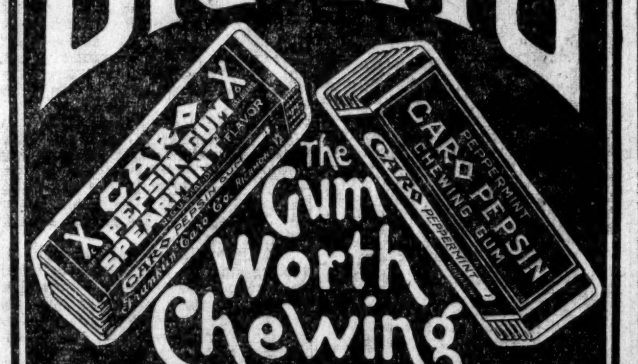

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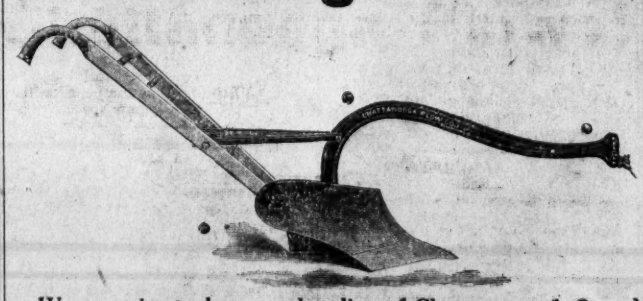

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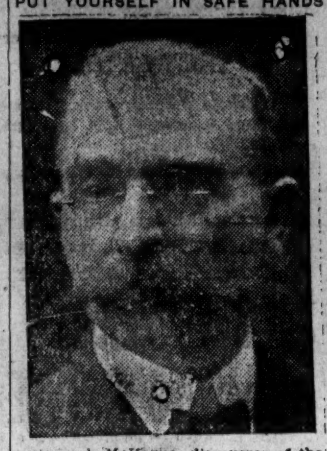

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Dr. J. W. McGehee, health officer, of the city of Reidsville and a reputable physician, makes affidavit to the effect that there has never been a death in Dr. McKanna's Reidsville Sanitarium.

McKANNA THREE-DAY LIQUOR CURE COMPANY
Reidsville, - - North Carolina.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE.

To the Owners and Holders of Bonds outstanding under that certain Mortgage or Deed of Trust from the Tidewater Power Company to the Carnegie Trust Company, dated January 1, 1909:

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy having occurred in the office of the Trustee under the mortgage or deed of trust executed by the Tidewater Power Company to the Carnegie Trust Company, as Trustee, bearing date the 1st day of January, 1909, securing an issue of bonds of this Company of the aggregate par value of $2,000,000, the Board of Directors of this Company has, pursuant to the terms of said mortgage, filled such vacancy by a resolution duly adopted at a meeting duly called and held on the 24th day of October, 1911, whereby the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities was designated and appointed as Trustee as successor to said Carnegie Trust Company;

In accordance with the terms and provisions of said mortgage or deed of trust, and in accordance with the said resolution adopted as aforesaid, a certificate of the appointment of the said Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, was duly registered in the office of the Register of the County of New Hanover, in Book No. 66, Records of New Hanover County, page 325.

An order has also been entered in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, on the 29th day of November, 1911, permitting the superintendent of Banks of the State of New York, in charge of the Carnegie Trust Company, to join with the Carnegie Trust Company in resigning as Trustee under the said mortgage or deed of trust, and to convey to the said Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities all rights and [illegible] Carnegie Trust Company under the said mortgage [illegible]

By virtue of [illegible] Board of Directors [illegible] said certificate [illegible] by virtue of the [illegible] Supreme Court [illegible] County of New [illegible] en that the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives [illegible] is now the duly [illegible] tee under and by [illegible] mortgage or deed [illegible] and as successor [illegible] Company.

This notice is [illegible] with the terms and provisions of the said mortgage or deed [illegible]

TIDEWATER [illegible]
By H. [illegible]
H. Woollcott, Secretary.
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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND.

Pursuant to the direction and power contained in the last will and testament of William H. Stone, deceased, late of Brunswick county, North Carolina, the undersigned executors of the said last will and testament will on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1911, at Southport, at the Court House door, in Brunswick county, North Carolina, at 12:30 o'clock P. M., sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidders, all of the real property of the said William H. Stone, situated in Shallotte Township, Brunswick County.

Pursuant to the provisions of said will, the said lands will be divided into four equal parts and each part will be sold separately.

B. F. STONE,
R. R. STONE,
B. O. STONE,
Executors.
Dated this 23rd day of November, 1911.

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APPLICATION FOR COMMUTATION

of the Sentence of Death Imposed by Law Upon L. M. Sandlin.

Application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for commutation to life imprisonment of the sentence of death imposed by law upon L. M. Sandlin by reason of his conviction at the July term of the Superior Court of New Hanover County of the crime of murder.

All persons who oppose the granting of said commutation are invited to forward their protests to the Governor without delay.

This 12th day of December, 1911.
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RALEIGH NEWS OF A DAY

Seaboard Shoo-Fly Will Likely Be Retained--Carolina-Florida Fish Co., Chartered--Postal Clerk ... Convicted--Accident

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 21.—There was a conference today between the members of the Corporation Commission and officials of the Seaboard Air Line relative to the petition of the Seaboard to be allowed to discontinue the shoo-fly train service between Raleigh and Hamlet January 1st, on the ground that it is not self-sustaining.

Representing the Seaboard Air Line were W. H. Stanly, assistant to the general manager, and J. M. Shea, general superintendent. While the members of the Corporation Commission made no statement to that effect following the conference, it is understood that the train will very probably be retained. Patrons all along the line and in adjacent territory that share the benefits of the shoo-fly service are petitioning strenuously for the retention of the service.

The Carolina-Florida Fish Co., of Wilmington, received a charter today, the capital being $50,000 authorized and $2,100 subscribed by J. A. Price, William Powell and Ed. Taylor.

Other charters are for the Robersonville Supply Co., Martin county, $20,000 capital authorized and $3,500 subscribed by J. W. Taylor, J. H. Everett and others; the Spencer Sanitarium (Inc.) Winston Salem, capital $100,000 authorized and $5,000 subscribed by W. O. Spencer, M. K. Spencer, T. W. Davis and others, and the White High Co., Henderson, capital $26,000 by Wallace White and others for mercantile business.

Peace Institute (Inc.) of Raleigh was organized under the new charter today by the election of Hon. J. R. Young, as president; Ed. Chambers Smith, vice president, and Geo. Allen, secretary-treasurer. The purpose is to bring the famous Peace Institute completely and permanently under the control of the Presbyterian church.

In the case of W. E. Hill against the city of Raleigh and Policeman C. E. Barrow, recently instituted, the complaint is just filed and sets out that $20,000 is claimed against the city and $1,000 against Barrow. This is the case in which Hill was imprisoned at different times for breach of the peace and for drunkenness and a cut inflicted by the officer with his billie in efforts to control him developed erysipelas, as he alleges because of the terribly unsanitary condition of the city prison and failure of the authorities to provide medical attention for him as a prisoner.

The annual report of the librarian of Raney Library here shows that during 1911 there were 28,920 books in use by patrons of the library in their homes, fiction constituting 89 per cent. of them. There are 3,872 persons registered as regular borrowers of books. The library has 11,112,892 volumes. The library received $1,1.. from rentals of the building and $2,000 from the city. The fines amounted to $193 for the year. There is a balance on hand of $509.

William N. Stephenson, a mail clerk on the Raleigh & Southport, pleaded guilty this afternoon in the Federal court to a charge of tampering with and robbing the mails of money. His counsel are fighting strenuously to induse the judge to let the sentence go over until the Spring term allowing Stephenson to continue out on $1,000 bail to which he has been under some time.

Chas. Johnson, a native of Raleigh, and a persistent counterfeiter, was given ten years this afternoon in the Federal Court for his latest offense, which was circulating spurious silver dollars. The case against him was called and he pleaded guilty.

Metta Rowland, six years old, daughter of R. E. Rowland, a prosperous farmer, died here today from being run down by Furman Dowd, of Willow Springs, in an automobile, last night eight miles from Raleigh. The child's mother and infant also jumped from the wagon and barely escaped. It is alleged that Dowd was driving recklessly.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATUTE

For Inspecting Oil Is Debated as to Its Constitutionality

Washington, Dec. 21.—Whether kerosene oil lamps explode, was the question debated by attorneys today before the Supreme Court in arguments as to the constitutionality of the North Carolina statute for the inspection of illuminating oil. R. W. Winston, of Raleigh, N. C., contended that neither he nor any of the justices had ever seen an oil lamp explode and that the tales of such explosions were as "fictitious as the sea serpent of Mrs. Harris of Dickens' fame." Attorney General Bickett, of North Carolina, argued that they did explode and that the statute was a reasonable one.

The arguments were not concluded.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Turkey question made its appearance today at the White House and President Taft referred the matter to the White House cook. It came in the guise of an enormous bird from Rhode Island, intended to grace the President's dinner table Christmas Day. It weighed 40 pounds and was raised especially to crown the White House feast.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, it's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

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3,000 pounds fine candies 10c and 20c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

NEW BASEBALL LEAGUE.

Proposes to Start an Outlaw League. Cities Concerned.

New York, Dec. 21.—The United States League of Professional Baseball Clubs is the name of an organization formed here tonight which proposes, according to its backers, to start an "outlaw league" this Summer, in the East, with five cities—New York, Brooklyn, Reading, Washington and Richmond—as the nucleus, and Baltimore, Newark, Pittsburg, Cincinnati and Buffalo as possibilities.

William A. Witman, of Reading, Pa., former manager of the Pennsylvania State League, was elected president, secretary and treasurer of the league at the meeting here tonight, and franchises were granted to E. C. Landgraf and J. G. Lazarus, of Richmond; Hugh McKinnon, of Washington; Ambrose W. Hussey, of Brooklyn, and W. A. Witman. Mr. Witman said tonight that he was not at liberty to say whom the New York franchise would be granted, but that "three prominent Wall Street men" had been negotiating with him for it. Applications had been received, he said, from the five other "possible cities" under consideration. Stock companies, with "unlimited backing" had been formed in the cities that had already received their franchises, he asserted—enough to make the baseball world "sit up and take notice."

"We will apply for protection under the National Commission," said Witman, "but we don't expect to get it. We want to show that we are on the level. There will be no trouble in getting ball players outside of the other leagues. For one thing, we won't take contract jumpers. There are enough good ball players lying around loose to make all the high class teams we want."

DOG SAVES THREE MEN.

Barks Guide Them Through Smoke to Open Window.

New York, Dec. 21.—To the already long list of life-saving heroes of the fire department another new name was added tonight. It was that of a day, "Happy", a Dalmatian which follows the apparatus to every fire.

Three firemen were saved from a burning furniture warehouse in Harlem through the sagacity of Happy, who climbed a ladder three stories to effect their escape. The firemen had been caught at the rear of the third floor by a back-draught and orced to flee. In the smoke they lost their way seeking the window at which their ladder had been run up.

Happy heard his master cry for help, jumped for the ladder and began climbing it. Thousands of spectators watched the black and white spotted animal as he mounted rung after rung, and several firemen began climbing after him, but Happy reached the third-floor window first and began barking. Guided by the barks, the firemen made their way to the ladder.

TO PASS UPON SANITY.

Man Who Attempted Assassinating Mayor Gaynor to be Examined.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 21.—Upon application of State prison keeper Osborne, Judge Gnitchtel, of the Mercer county court, today appointed two physicians as a special commission to pass upon the sanity of James J. Gallagher, who is serving a 12-year sentence at the prison in connection with the attempted assassination of Mayor Gaynor, of New York, a few months ago as he was about to sail for Europe. It is said that Gallagher is suffering from paresis and will probably not live more than a year.

Keeper Osborne is taking the action in order to have Gallagher transferred to the State hospital for the insane.

PASTOR QUITS PULPIT.

Could Not Make Living for Family—Leaves for Chicago.

High Point, N. C., Dec. 20.—Rev. G. E. Eaves, who has been pastor of the South Main Street M. E. Church, for over a year, has resigned his charge and gone to Chicago, where he will connect himself with a large publishing house. He says in an open letter to the public that he fould it next to impossible to make a living for himself and family at the salary he was receiving, but that he will probably take up evangelistic work later on. His resignation and sudden departure last Sunday was quite a surprise to many of the citizens of High Point. His successor has not yet been appointed.

CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

Grand Jury Returns Indictments in Case of Austin Dam Disaster.

Coudersport, Pa., Dec. 21.—The Potter county grand jury today returned indictments against George C. Bayless, president, and Fred N. Hamlin, superintendent of the Bayless Pulp & Paper Company, of Austin, Pa., charging involuntary manslaughter because of the Austin dam disaster on September 30th last. The grand jury failed to return a true bill in the case of Michael C. Bailey, the caretaker of the dam, who was held to the grand jury by a justice of the peace. It is said Bailey will be called as a witness when Bayless and Hamlin go to trial at the March term of court.

NEW YORK MAKES MOVE.

Will Try to Get Democratic National Convention.

New York, Dec. 21.—A movement to secure the Democratic National Convention for this city took form today with action by the Hotel Men's Association, which appointed a committee to ask for the co-operation of Democratic leaders in the project. The committee will report to the association tomorrow and steps, it is stated, will be taken to raise $125,000 for the expenses of the convention, the date and place of which is to be decided by a meeting of the Democratic National Committee in Washington on January 8th.

London, Dec. 21.—The Daily Telegraph's Shanghai correspondent fears that the crisis in China will assume an anti-foreign character. He says that the revolutionary leaders and military commanders are hinting at anti-foreign assistance to the Imperial government in the way of loans.

Dear Daughter:—Nothing will please me more as an Xmas gift than a pair of felt slippers. Get the ones I saw at Hewlett & Price at $1.25. Mother. **

Man's Dancing Pumps. Gun metal and patents. Hewlett & Price. **

WOMAN HIGHWAYMAN.

Held Up and Robbed Washington Man of $106.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Margaret Lafey, Washington's "highway woman," who holds up her victims—mere men—at the point of an unloaded revolver, was found guilty today by the jury which tried her case in Criminal Court No. 2.

She was charged with having held up C. M. Mattfeldt, manager of Pyle's Store, at 652 Park road northwest, and robbing him of $106 on July 8th last.

FIRE AT DURHAM.

Oil Mill and Tobacco Plants Destroyed—$80,000 Damage.

Durham, N. C., Dec. 21.—Losses aggregating about $80,000 were entailed in the destruction by fire today of the Timmonsville Oil Company's mill, the stemmery of W. P. Henry, an independent tobacco manufacturer, and the Enterprise Stem Plant. The loss to the oil plant also amounted to between $50,000 and $60,000.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 20th, 1911.

Hon. M. G. Teinecken, Councilman in charge of Accounts and Finance, City of Wilmington, N. C.

Dear Sir—The undersigned special auditors, having duly examined the books and accounts of the City Tax Collector, the City Treasurer, and of the Water and Sewerage and Police and Health Departments, so far as the latter two have had charge of collection of any funds, respectfully report:

1. We find the books and accounts of the Tax Collector and City Treasurer carefully and accurately kept, and the system of book-keeping intelligently devised and simple in operation. The method of checks and counter checks, filing of documents, vouchers, and important papers, is comprehensive and complete. We find all expenditures properly supported by approved vouchers. An additional safeguard in this respect being obtained by the requirement of double signatures on warrants which are paid at the banks, without use of checks.

2. We find the books and accounts of the Water and Sewerage Department carefully and accurately kept, the gross receipts in this department being paid over daily to the Treasurer and the expenditures in same, after being classified and distributed, paid by the Treasurer, on regular voucher.

3. We find such collections as are necessarily made in the Police and Health Departments duly recorded and the amounts paid over to the City Treasurer.

4. We have no recommendations to make in regard to the accounting in the Treasurer's office, finding it, as stated, fully satisfactory.

5. We recommend that in all cases, where bills for indebtedness to the city are to be rendered, that it be done through and by the Treasury Department, upon approved certificate from the heads of departments interested, or, if for any reason, this should be impracticable, that duplicates of any bills rendered should be immediately filed in the Treasury Department for record and collection.

6. In view of the early assumption of the collections for Sanitary service to be rendered by the city, which collections are to be made by the Health Department, for convenience both of the city and the public, we recommend the daily checking up by the head of that department of all collections, by means of serially numbered receipts, to be used by collectors, the entry upon a cash book, and payment each day to the Treasurer.

7. The present audit covers the three months ending November 30th, 1911, the books from the beginning of the fiscal year to that period having been previously examined and audited by us.

8. We append statements showing the balance on hand on the 1st day of September, 1911, the receipts since that date in detail, and the balance now on hand, which balance is deposited as shown with the several banks of the city.

Statement.

Balance on hand September 1st, 1911, as per previous audit		$109,108.57
Revenue—		
General Tax Collections	$43,253.00	
Water & Sewerage Dept	8,490.10	
Miscellaneous Sales	374.66	
Interest	874.85	
Park Fund	150.00	
Rents	150.00	
		53,292.61
Total		$162,401.18
Disbursements—		
Warrants (City Treasurer)		$112,623.97
Balance, December 1st, 1911		$49,777.21
Deposited as follows:		
Murchison Nat. Bank	$24,163.06	
American Nat. Bank	8,211.63	
People's Sav. Bank	5,892.17	
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co	5,000.00	
Atlantic Trust and Banking Co	5,000.00	
Coupon Acc't (New York)	792.50	
Coupon Acc't (Wilmington, N. C.)	100.00	
Cash and Cash Items	617.85	
		49,777.21

(Signed)

M. F. ALLEN,
W. C. CURTIS,
Auditors.

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Xmas Candies of Quality

Bell Cow, 5 cent Sellers.
Vanilla Chocolate Bars, 5 cents sellers.
Milk Chocolates Bars, 5 cents sellers.
Penny Chocolates, boxes all kinds.
Cocoa, 5 pounds and 10 pound Tins
—For Sale By—

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WHOLESALE GROCERS
18 Market Street

FOR SOUTHPORT
(By Harper Steamboat Line.)
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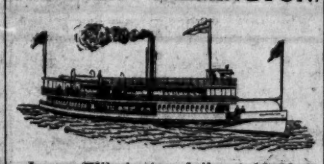

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Leave Southport daily at 2:30 P. M.

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Block System. Rock Ballast. 85-lb. Rail
Schedule in Effect February 12, 1911:

Lv Norfolk	8:30 a m	8:00 p m
Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a m	10:40 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	2:30 a m

Close connections made for Seattle, San Francisco and all western points.
Pullman sleeping and parlor cars N. and W. Cafe dining cars. Equipment and service standard of excellence. Blue Ridge and Allegheny mountains crossed at most picturesque parts.
Time tables, descriptive literature and information free. Correspondence invited.

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Our appropriate pieces for Christmas Gifts are undoubtedly the Best Selected—which means the greatest values for the price charged, in the city.

Just such pretty, serviceable, satisfying pieces as discriminating buyers are looking for at this season. Just the right things for those who will not be satisfied with "Any Old Thing."

That we have an advantage in buying that gives us an advantage in selling can't be denied.

Rockers appropriate for each member of the family, or for a friend.

Parlor, Library and Card Tables, Ladies' Desks, Ladies' Dressing Tables, Princess Dressers, Chiffonieres, Chifforobes, Hall Racks, Brass Beds, Brass Costumers, Ladies' Sewing Stands, Tabourettes, China Closets, Rugs, Pictures, Mirrors, Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets.

A beautiful line of Pretty China and Japan suggestions: Chocalate Sets, Tea Sets, Vases, Berry Sets, Cream and Sugar Sets, Dinner Sets, Salad Bowls, Toilet Sets.

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SECOND AND PRINCESS.

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Buying Thousands of Dollars Worth of Toys and Christmas Goods for our wholesale trade, we are able to buy at the lowest prices, and now that our wholesale customers have been supplied, our chief desire is to clean up the Large Surplus we have on hand, and if LOW CASH PRICES can move them, THEY WILL GO.

You want them NOW—we don't, after Christmas.

A DOLLAR will buy you More Toys and Christmas Presents at Gaylord's this week than you have ever bought before for Two.

Your attention is called to the Extreme Low Prices on Xmas Umbrellas, Fancy Work, Baskets, Cabinet Writing Paper, Brass and Nickle Mantel Ornaments, Furs and Coat Suits.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective October 16, 1911. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ! 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 5:45 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. **Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.**	No. 50, *11:49 P. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ! 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.**	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (1) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, **All Florida Points,** Columbia, Asheville and the West. **Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.**	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:35 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. **Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.**	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ! 8:30 A. M.

* Daily. !Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.
Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	WEST BOUND. Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave Wrightsville for for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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SPECIAL FOR SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.
Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:30 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

Cars marked * do not run on Sundays.
Cars marked † run Sundays only.
Cars marked ¶ superceded by half hour schedule Saturdays and Sundays.
Cars marked § leave at 1:10 P. M. on Saturdays.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

Daily Except Sunday.
Leave 9th and Orange streets 3:00 P. M.
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SCHEDULE

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Trains Leave Wilmington, Effective Nov. 20th, 1911.

No. 45—5:00 A. M.—For Hamlet, and intermediate points, to Charlotte, connects at Hamlet with No. 66, for Raleigh and points North.

No. 39—3:25 P. M.—For Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York, and trains in all directions. Arrive Hamlet 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 10:50 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington:

No. 40—12:30 P. M.—From Charlotte.

No. 44—12:10 A. M.—From Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 65, for all points North; at Monroe, with No. 53, for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41, for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis; No. 84, for Washington and New York; No. 32, for Portsmouth, Norfolk, and No. 43, for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

Pullman Car service will be maintained between Wilmington and Charlotte on trains 39, 40, 45 and 44.

Sleeper on No. 45 open for occupancy at 10 P. M.

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F. A. FETTER, Commercial Agent, Orton Hotel. 'Phone No. 178.

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PUBLISHERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, at $6 per year, $3 for six months, $1.50 for three months, 50 cents for one months, served by carriers in the city, or by mail.

THE SUNDAY STAR, by mail, one year, $1; six months, 50 cents; three months, 25 cents.

ADVERTISING RATES may be had on application, and advertisers may feel assured that through the columns of this paper they may reach all Wilmington, Eastern Carolina and contiguous territory in South Carolina.

Obituary sketches, cards of thanks, communications espousing the cause of a private enterprise or a political candidate, and like matter, will be charged at the rate of 10 cents per line, or if paid cash in advance a half rate will be allowed. Announcements of fairs, festivals, balls, hops, picnics, society meetings, political meetings, etc., will be charged under same conditions, except so much thereof as may be of news value to readers of the paper.

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TELEPHONES: Business Office, No. 31; Editorial and Local rooms, No. 61. Call either, if the other doesn't answer.

COMMUNICATIONS, unless they contain important news, or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected unless the real name of the author accompanies the same, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Friday, December 22, 1911.

A man gives his wife money for a Christmas present and then wonders what kind of a present she's going to buy for him.

The judicial recall is more dangerous to some kinds of judges than it is to judges who go on doing like judges ought to do.

Probably Col. Roosevelt would like to go to the Chicago convention next June at the head of the New York delegation, just to be in a position to save the Republican party.

A man's hanging out place is where he would rather be than anywhere else. If he hangs out at home it shows that he doesn't prefer some other place to his own fireside.

Republicanism and standpattery are still the same. Republicanism and standpattery can never abrogate its treaty with Special Interests. That is the reason nobody will trust it in 1912.

President Taft continues to plead for his peace treaties with Great Britain, France and Japan. Has he ever succeeded in signing up a peace treaty with Senator LaFollette's insurgent forces?

Today is "North Carolina Day" in the public schools. This feature of the State's educational system will create more State pride than has ever been displayed by all the generations of the past.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, of Polar fame, has a date in Asheville, at the auditorium, about the middle of January. No doubt Asheville will be more interested in Dr. Cook as an exhibit than as a discoverer.

A few rich acres produce more than many poor acres. Most Southern farms are too large—that is, too large per horse. Soil restoration and intensive cultivation ought to supplant the method of farming the life out of many acres.

President Taft seemed overly anxious not to give offense to Russia in abrogating the treaty of 1832 with that country. Wonder if he overlooked the fact that Russia had heaped offense on us for years in her treatment of American citizens?

The Atlantic Coast Line and other Southern railroads have made arrangements with the Northern systems to put on reduced rate tickets for homeseekers desiring to look around the South. Homeseekers' tickets will be on sale two days in every month. Now is the opportunity of eastern North Carolina.

If the South ever gets "in the hole" and again pulls cotton in the hole after it, it will deserve the fate which overtook the billy goat which kept on butting its head against a rock wall. We have seen the South laid low several times by the one-crop idea, and this year's experience surely ought to make it realize what the rock wall did for the goat. Diversify crops in the South and watch the result.

The Maxton Scottish Chief has made a custom of putting on lugs for Christmas and this season it has surpassed all previous efforts in its 1911 Christmas edition. It is a publication of 48 pages, in three sections, and the Chief is not only brilliantly and profusely illustrated, but it is chock full of reading matter in great variety. The edition is beautifully printed on nicely calendared book paper, and there is not a feature of it that is not highly creditable to young Harker. Maxton has every reason to be proud of a paper that never misses an opportunity to show that it is live and enterprising. Col. Harker certainly knows how to dress up the Chief for the annual visit of Santa Claus.

INERTIA OF THE PEOPLE

M. Paul N. Mulukoff, president of the Duma at St. Petersburg, Russia, was called upon by the New York World for his views concerning the agitation over the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 by the United States. M. Mulukoff is the head of the popular movement in Russia which secured the right of popular representation in the national legislative body. The Duma is the people's representative body and as its president, M. Mulukoff is in a better position than any other statesman to discuss the abrogation crisis from the standpoint of the people who have secured some concessions towards a representative government.

The President of the Duma cables the World that the foremost immediate feature of the treaty situation at St. Petersburg is that "nobody outside of those immediately concerned knew until a couple of days ago that the treaty of 1832 existed." He says "We men of the opposition support the attitude which inspired American action, but I am glad Mr. Taft did not allow the Sulzer resolution to become operative. The danger of the future is that the issue is now left wide open, and if partisans agitate the matter it would then react unfavorably on the movement of Jewish equality within Russia."

It is in behalf of her Jewish citizens who came here from Russia, that the United States demanded the abrogation of the treaty. Russia violated the treaty by her treatment of these Jewish American citizens who were denied passports for traveling in Russia. That action was mainly on account of religious prejudice, yet Russia bases her action on the allegation that passports were refused to persons who were dangerous to social and political conditions in Russia. M. Mulukoff thinks that in view of the reaction that would take place in Russia against the Jews, their American friends should be careful how they further agitate the treaty incident. In merely advising along that line he says:

"Certainly Americans are free to conduct the campaign as they like, but the agitation against the present situation will not help their friends here. The fact is there is no personal director of the policy on this side, but a powerful and widespread combination. The national policy champions are high office holders throughout Russia, who are strong by the force of the people's inertia. They resist an opening of the Jewish question as they resist any essential change. Premier Kokovtzoff probably wishes personally to take the milder course, but he is not sufficiently strong, and must obey the orders of others equally with Sazonoff, who doubtless would prefer to reach a limited modus vivendi with America on passports, but he will be made to obey the spirit of the dominating Ministry. The coming months must be regarded with anxiety, because the question cannot be made to sleep, yet it is evident that it is hardly possible to initiate negotiations for a new treaty while present sentiment persists. It would be especially regrettable if Russia and America were forced apart in the Far East, where I am convinced they ought to be acting together. As regards the internal outlook, there are some signs appearing of a softening administrative attitude."

A striking observation of the President of the Duma is his reference to the powerful and widespread official combination in Russia, concerning which he makes this point: "The national policy champions are high office holders throughout Russia, who are strong by the force of the people's inertia."

It is not alone in Russia where such widespread official combination and co-operation counts against the people. In the United States we have experienced the same results of political brotherhood, and it is strong here, just like it is in Russia, because of the inertia of the people. In the United States people have actually voted against their own personal interests and contrary to the Nation's welfare because the official combination set the pace and partisan voters fell in and voted right along for special interests and the trust-breeding policy of the Republican party. The inertia and blind partisanship of the voters is responsible for political bosses in States and cities. Except for official combination and popular inertia, bossism and corruption could not exist for a minute.

THE BASIS OF OUR LAND VALUES

The Chester (Pa.) Republican observes: "If the back to the farm' movement has reached formidable proportions in Pennsylvania it is not apparent from a casual perusal of the population figures just issued by the United States Census Bureau. According to one of the bulletins, urban population of the State is now 39.6 per cent. Ten years ago, before the 'back to the farm' movement was heard of, the country population was 45.3 per cent."

The probability is that the urban population near most of the larger Northern cities is about in the same proportion as it is in Pennsylvania. The producers are so much fewer than the consumers in Pennsylvania, that if every man, woman and child of her rural areas were producers, they would have to keep the table supplied for themselves and about two each in the cities. Considering the fact, however, that only a small portion of the rural population are really producers, the plain truth is that even in Pennsylvania the city populations have to depend upon the producers of other States, notably North Carolina. That accounts for the fact that eastern North Carolina is the market garden for about 30,000,000 consumers in the North and Canada.

Of course, the earlier truck and vegetable crops of North Carolina find ready markets in the populous North, but with a decreasing rural population and a rapidly growing city population throughout the North, there will be continually increasing demand for Carolina products, not only in the early Spring but throughout our long producing season.

The fact is, large cities like New York, Philadelphia, and hundreds of others, readily take everything we produce to supply the table. With a wonderfully productive country within less than twenty-four hours from New York, over the Atlantic Coast Line, and regular service by refrigerator trains into all the populous centres, there has been and will continue to be a steady growth in the values of lands in the Nation's Garden Spot.

The increasing value of eastern North Carolina lands is due to their nearness to the great markets, and the tremendous and ever-increasing demand from those populous centres is the most gilt-edged guarantee of the glowing future for lands in the incomparable region served by the Atlantic Coast Line with its rapid transportation system. The Nation's Garden Spot is a huge asset, present and prospective, for an enterprising carrying company like that of which Wilmington is the headquarters.

ENCOURAGING HOMESEEKERS.

If the South ever had a good opportunity to secure settlers it is now. Homeseekers can now get cheap passenger rates into the South, and the only other thing now lacking is to have definite propositions to make to them when they come. The Atlantic Coast Line has given notice to the press that the Southern and Northern railroads have entered into an agreement which will promote homeseeking in the South. For two days in each month homeseekers' rates will be in effect on the railroads North and South, and certainly that should turn the tide of settlers in this direction. The Savannah News sees a great opportunity for the South in this new policy of the railroads, and that esteemed and valued contemporary says:

"This is commendable, and indicates willingness on the part of the railroads to help in the upbuilding of the South. We assume that these rates are widely advertised in the Northern States so that those home-seekers desiring to visit the South and see for themselves what the South has to offer are made acquainted with them. The railroads particularly are benefitted by the coming of immigrants and capital, and hence should be active in their efforts to encourage the coming of both. It is no doubt a fact that they are showing far more interest in the South's development by means of such agencies as they can command than they did a few years ago. Working in sympathy and harmony with the Southern people they can do wonders towards making the South what Mr. Clark, Speaker of the House, in an address before the Southern Society of New York a few evenings ago, said it would ultimately become, namely, the most thickly settled portion of the Union. And the railroads are in better shape now than ever before to help to develop the South's resources. Practically all of them are in a prosperous condition, and every year they show a marked increase in their gross earnings. The South is on the up grade and moving rapidly. She is a little bit handicapped this year by her big cotton crop. She has produced too much for profit, but it is by experiences of the kind she is now having that she is learning to diversify her crops, and thus open the way to greater wealth and prosperity."

The Star wishes to add that the railroads cannot do it all. The different portions of the South must co-operate with them. The sections which co-operate the right way and get alive to their interests will get the settlers. We could have been getting settlers for years if we had gotten up and gone to work to get them. It is not too late.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Col. Clawson, replying to Col. Harris, says: "When the enemy lays a mine Democrats should not fire it, if they know better." Yes, but that brings up the old gag question: "What is a Democrat?"—Maxton Scottish Chief.

Bojkow Mikolaja, a Russian, tried to throw away $200 in New York. He was arrested and haled to the station, where the police promptly abrogated the entente cordiale between Bojkow and his roll.—Columbia State.

John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, comes forward with the striking recommendation that the discussion about tolls be ended and that the Panama Canal be made absolutely free to the shipping of the world. This is a solution of the difficult question of discrimination in favor of American ships, in defiance of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and perhaps it merits consideration. But how generous the United States would be to spend $400,000,000 on a canal and then let the world use it for nothing!—Springfield Republican.

The government does not seem to have much success with its postal banks down the old Carolina Central. At Maxton, young Harker, of the Scottish Chief, put in $5 in celebration of the opening of the bank there and so far as heard from, it was the only deposit. A few days ago the postmaster at Monroe was ordered to forward his deposits to the postoffice in Charlotte, and he reported that his bank had not taken in a cent. However, the government is going to try it in Laurinburg and it is to be hoped will have better luck there.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Ginning reports made public today substantiate what we have remarked before, that in South Carolina the production of sea island cotton is fast vanishing as an industry and will soon have disappeared entirely, like the growing and vatting of indigo, unless conditions greatly improve. Our sea island ginnings to December 12, this year totalled only 4,482 bales, as against the following figures to the same date in previous seasons: 1910, 9,649 bales; 1909, 10,743 bales; 1908, 11,292 bales. For the same years the Georgia totals to December 12 were 58,948, 39,725, 47,564 and 37,952; and the corresponding returns from Florida were 35,686, 25,874, 26,870, and 31,072. So it seems that while the South Carolina production of sea island cotton is decreasing very rapidly indeed, the Georgia and Florida crops are very rapidly increasing.—Columbia Record.

North Carolina has neglected its waterways. It has natural facilities that have merited the attention of the government and have not received it. Particularly because of railway rate competition, it is of importance that the navigable waters of the State be improved. We hope something will come of the recommendation to this effect that has just been made by the board of army engineers, calling for an expenditure of about $6,000,000 on North Carolina waterways. This report includes a recommendation that the government purchase the Chesapeake and Albemarle canal, connecting North Carolina sounds with the Chesapeake bay. Under the provisions of the bill which was drawn and presented by Senator Simmons, the Secretary of War was directed to make this purchase and now that the board of engineers have approved of the plan, it seems certain that the government will buy it at once. It is proposed when the purchase is made that this canal will be improved to the extent of giving it a bottom width of 90 feet, at a cost of nearly $3,000,000. Senator Simmons is quoted as being confident that Congress will make the appropriation, not only for the purchase of the canal, but also for all the improvements of the waterways recommended by the board of engineers. When the improvements are made North Carolina will have 3,000 miles of navigable inland waterways, available for national and international commerce. At present conditions make the waterways available only for local and neighborhood traffic. Senator Simmons has expended much time and effort on this matter and believes his work has been a success. He has labored effectively for North Carolina in this behalf and for what he will yet do, he is deserving the highest praise.—Charlotte Observer.

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The freight warehouses of our companies in Wilmington, will be closed Monday, December 25th, 1911, and Monday, January 1st, 1912, except between the hours of 10 and 11 for the delivery of perishable freight only.
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OPPOSE THE PENSION BILL

Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Yesterday Afternoon Went on Record as Against Measure Now in Congress

Attended by a number of representative business men the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon held a special meeting for the purpose of considering the bill now pending in Congress to provide additional pensions for Federal veterans, which measure has already been adopted in the House but has not yet been acted upon by the Senate. Resolutions strongly protesting against the bill were unanimously adopted by the body.

President M. J. Corbett presided and there were in addition besides a number of members, Secretary O. F. Cooper and Assistant Secretary Howard B. Branch, the latter keeping record of the proceedings. In calling the meeting to order President Carbett stated that the purpose was to consider the pension bill which had passed the House and was before the Senate and its relation to the rivers and harbors improvements. Mr. J. A. Taylor, one of the leading members of the Chamber, stated that he had drafted resolutions which he thought covered the situation so far as the Chamber was concerned. The resolutions, probably the first to be adopted by a commercial body in opposition to the measure, were then read by Secretary Cooper. Mr. Taylor spoke briefly relative to the importance of taking such action. He said that all the North Carolina Congressmen had voted against the bill except Congressman Webb and Faison, whom he said, had explained the reason they did not vote at all, which was to the effect that they were paired with other Congressmen who would have voted for the bill. Mr. B. F. Keith, collector of customs, endorsed all that had been said by Mr. Taylor, and like Mr. Taylor he declared that he thought that the bill was purely a "piece of politics," and said that he had received letters saying that if the pension bill was adopted there would be no appropriations for public buildings and may not be for rivers and harbors. Gen. James I. Metts, a Confederate veteran, also spoke in opposition to the bill and in favor of the resolutions. Seconded by Mr. B. F. Keith, the resolutions were then unanimously adopted and read as follows:

"Reaffirming our position as a non partisan body, and distinctly disclaiming any purpose or desire to deny to worthy Federal veterans such service and deserved pensions, we nevertheless feel restrained to protest against the action of the House of Representatives in passing, by a large majority, the Sherwood pension bill, or what is popularly known as the dollar-a-day bill. This bill provides a pension for every Federal soldier who served 90 days in the Civil war, without reference to disability arising from such service and carries a monthly allowance of from $15 to $30 to each pensioner, swelling into a grand total of $175,000,000, a year additional tax on the people; which with the present appropriation of $160,000,000 for the same purpose, would make the expenditures of this government for pensions practically twice as much as the combined pension rolls of the nations of Europe, including Great Britain. The effect of this measure, if enacted into law, would be such an encroachment upon the revenues of the government as to seriously curtail, if not totally defeat, appropriations for all public improvements, notably waterways and public buildings, or make necessary additional burdensome taxes.

"If there were justification in the necessities of the Federal veterans for such additional aid, no Southern voice would be heard in protest; but when no such necessity exists, it would be much more consonant with candor and justice, as well as sound statesmanship, to reduce appropriations and lower taxes, to the end that the cost of living might be sensibly abated; and when it is remembered that General Garfield, himself a Federal veteran, predicted, along in the eighties, that the current figures, then some $28,000,000 would be the maximum requirement for this purpose; and that thereafter the yearly appropriations for this object should steadily decrease, there can be no honest difference of opinion as to the unwarranted extravagance of the proposed legislation. It is at best a false charity that weakens economic resource, and a false patriotism that barters public good for partisan advantage and brings into disrepute an otherwise laudable public policy—discriminating gratitude which distinguishes the meritorious from the undeserving.

"Whereas, the aforesaid Sherwood bill has not yet been acted upon by the Senate; whereas, the enactment into law of such a measure would be a grave public injustice, especially to the South, which would be burdened with an additional tax of $25,000,000 annually, and particularly to North Carolina, whose proportion would be about $2,000,000, be it resolved by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce:

"First, That while we approve in principle the pensioning of worthy Federal veterans, we condemn all unreasonable and unnecessary pension appropriations as unjustifiable burdens of the people, and in derogation of sound public morality.

"Second, That we certify this protest to the Senators from this State, and urge them to oppose the aforesaid bill, if, in their judgment and conscience, they accept our view of the matter."

Death of Little Child.

Friends will tenderly sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Potter in the loss of their little two-year-old daughter Mary P. Potter, whose death occurred yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at the residence, No. 1209 South Third street, following an illness of some duration. The funeral will be held from the residence this morning at 10 o'clock and interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Ruffs. 2t.

3,000 pounds fine candies 10c and 20c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

ENTER HAROWARE BUSINESS

New Firm to Occupy Old Established Stand of J. W. Murchison & Co., on Front Street—Messrs. Peck & Holloway.

Of the several business changes that will take place on January 1st, of the New Year, none will be of greater interest to the many friends of the young men composing the firm or to the general public than the formation of the partnership of Messrs. Peck & Holloway, who will do a general hardware business at No. 109 North Front street, the stand for so long occupied by Messrs. J. W. Murchison & Co., who are removing to their handsome new place of business at corner of Water and Chesnut streets and who will in future confine their activities largely to the wholesale trade.

The new firm will be composed of Messrs. D. Frank Holloway and W. M. Peck, both progressive young business men of this city, who have ability, push and that measure of confidence of the general public that will ensure for them a success from the start. Mr. Holloway has had 11 years active experience in the hardware business and is now with Messrs. J. W. Murchison & Co. He knows the business from carpet tacks to harvester machines, is industrious, alert, has a large personal trade and is known for his geniality and integrity. A native of Maryland, he has well established himself in the business world of Wilmington and enjoys the confidence and esteem of the public. Mr. Peck is a Wilmington "boy", "native and to the manner born," a son of the late Geo. A. Peck, for so long identified with Wilmington's commercial interests. He has latterly been with the Hilton Lumber Co., has been well trained in business and has the respect and esteem of the business community.

The firm will carry a general line of hardware, house furnishings, sporting goods, etc., and merely ask for their share of the business. They have a large store with basement and ample storage facilities, the stand having been occupied as a hardware store for 35 or more years. The firm will carry the agencies of some of the largest specialty houses in the world and their manufacturing and agency connections will enable them to handle any business entrusted to them. Their line of standard hardware will be at all times complete and the stock will be kept up-to-date and of the latest. For several months, the buyer of the firm has been busy and the selection has been with discrimination and taste. The goods are already arriving and on January 1st the firm will throw open its doors to the public under the most favorable auspices.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Session Was Not Quite so Busy Yesterday.

Lawrence Swinson and George Fisher, colored, were the spot-light figures in the Recorder's court yesterday, being charged with the larceny of $60 and a gold watch from George Farmer, a soldier at Fort Caswell, Tuesday night after he had been drugged. The amount stolen removed the case from the jurisdiction of the Recorder's court and the trial was in the form of a preliminary hearing. Probable cause being found, the negroes were sent over to the next term of Superior Court, Fisher under a $200 bond and Swinson under $100.

Lucy Hicks, the colored woman in whose house Farmer was drugged, was tried and found guilty on a charge of vagrancy, a sentence of 30 days on the county roads being imposed.

Robert Hennegan, colored, charged with store-breaking, waived examination and was sent over to the Superior Court. The case came up from Magistrate Harriss, before whom the negro also waived examination.

"Juggy" Zellers, a white man, was found guilty on a vagrancy charge and was sentenced to 30 days on the county roads. He took an appeal to the Superior Court.

The Godwin case was continued again, as a capias which has been out several days has not been served yet. The case will be continued indefinitely until the capias is returned.

The case against Willie Green, colored, charged with house breaking, was continued until December 26th, on account of the absence of the prosecuting witness. A case charging Bob Jenkins with an assault on a female was continued on account of the condition of the woman asssaulted.

The case against Mr. John W. Plummer, charged with violating the ordinance relative to the size of firecrackers which may be sold in the city, was again continued, this time being set for next Tuesday.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SHEPARD.

Held Yesterday Morning at 10 o'clock, Interment in Oakdale.

The funeral of Mrs. Laura T. Shepard, widow of the late Mr. Henry W. Shepard, whose death occurred Tuesday evening following an attack of pneumonia which she suffered while on a visit to friends here, having lately made her home in Waycross, Ga., was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Mr. James Woolvin, on Princess street. Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, conducted the services and the interment was made in Oakdale cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. J. O. Powers, W. T. Keen, W. H. Sprunt, L. C. Sutton, W. H. Smithson and J. B. Hand.

Ladies and Gents.

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SCHOOL CHILDREN HAPPY

Books Have Been Laid Aside and They Are Now Free to Enjoy Christmas Festivities—Closing Exercises Yesterday.

Finishing a most successful school term, probably establishing a record for enrollment, attendance and application of the pupils to their studies, the city graded schools closed yesterday at 2 o'clock for the holidays, which period will extend to Tuesday, January 2nd, for the school children. Ten days is given them to enjoy themselves and that they will make the most of the time allotted them goes without saying. This, however, means that they get only five school days, not counting Christmas and News Years.

With their books thrown aside for a short period the young people were happier yesterday afternoon than they have been since the Summer vacation days and a goodly number of them were down town making Christmas purchases, while others were busy with their plans for celebrating the season.

North Carolina Day exercises were held at the High School and at Union and Hemenway schools. The exercises were held at 9 o'clock and were of a most interesting nature, the programmes printed in yesterday's Star being carried out at each of the schools. In addition to the pupils there were present a number of patrons and friends of the schools and all enjoyed the very pleasing exercises which were rendered.

The teachers who live elsewhere, many of them, will begin leaving today for their respective homes or for other points to spend the holidays with friends or relatives and some of the teachers who live in Wilmington expect to spend the holidays elsewhere. However, a number of the non-resident teachers as well as many Wilmington teachers will spend the season in this city. Some of the teachers expect to spend the period at Washington, D. C.

The rural schools of the county will close today. In most of the schools North Carolina Day will be observed with a programme of appropriate exercises. In many of the schools North Carolina Day exercises will be combined with Christmas exercises and the pupils are looking forward to the event with happy anticipation. Those schools which do not have North Carolina Day exercises today will observe a day early in the Spring term.

Nearly all the rooms in the city schools were appropriately decorated by the children for the exercises of yesterday. The day marked the closing of a very successful school term. The number enrolled up to the present time in the different schools being as follows: Union, 1,116; Hemenway, 783; High School, 455; Williston, 606; Peabody, 579, the two last named being for colored, a total of 3,539. The number of teachers and substitutes in the different schools is as follows: Union, 24; Hemenway, 23; High School, 18; Williston, 14; Peabody, 12, a total of 91. These figures were obtained yesterday from Mr. John J. Blair, the superintendent, and will be of interest to the public.

Work will be resumed in all the city schools at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, January 2nd. During the holidays all buildings will be thoroughly renovated and cleaned, and put in a sanitary condition as circumstances will allow.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Yesterday's Arrivals and Clearances at the Port.

There were two arrivals and two clearances of ocean going vessels at the Wilmington port yesterday.

The British steamer Hillmere came in from Rio Janeiro via Norfolk for cotton, consigned to Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schr. Warren B. Potter brought in a cargo of salt for the Seaboard Air Line from New York.

Schr. John W. Hall cleared for New York with a cargo of lumber from Cape Fear Lumber Co. Schr. Herbert May also cleared for New York with a cargo of lumber from Buell Crocker Lumber Co.

The United States derelict destroyer, it is understood, has been ordered to look for an unknown three-masted schooner supposed to be in distress 63 miles south of Hatteras.

The British steamer Appenine cleared last night for Bremen, Germany, with cargo of cotton from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

A. C. L. SCHEDULES.

Slight Changes on W. C. & A. Division Effective January 1st.

Notice has been given of several slight changes in schedules of trains on the W. C. & A. division of the Atlantic Coast Line, effective on January 1st. On and after that date Train No. 51 for Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Fort Myers, Columbia and Asheville, will leave Wilmington at 5:35 A. M. instead of 5:45 A. M. as at present.

Coast Line Train No. 50 from Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Fort Myers, Columbia and Asheville, will arrive at Wilmington 11:59 P. M. instead of 11:49 P. M., as at present.

The public is asked to make note of these changes and govern themselves accordingly.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Chas. C. Loughlin to W. C. Cronenberg, for $100 and other considerations, lot on Ninth, 132 feet south of Meares street, 40x75 feet in size; T. J. Vann and wife to J. Van B. Metts, for $10 and other considerations, lot No. 35 in Sea Gate Park, Harnett township; Winter Park Gardens Company to Chas. E. Hall and wife, for $10 and other considerations, lot at Winter Park Gardens, containing about 2.1 acres; L. G. Bass and wife to A. W. Pate, for $100 and other considerations, tract in Harnett township, lying on Bralley's Creek; Rena L. Johnson to Rommor Jones and others, for $650, lot on 10th, 66 feet north of Dawson street, 33x83 1-2 feet in size.

"The Mexican"

Big Lubin film of the border and "Taking His Medicine," a rip-roaring comedy, at The Grand Theatre today. **

BOYS' BANQUET LAST NIGHT

Enjoyable Event at Parlors of the Y. M. C. A.—Well Attended

Attended by about sixty youngsters the annual boys' banquet, for the younger members of the Y. M. C. A., held in the association parlors last evening, proved to be one of the most successful affairs of its kind in the history of the organization. The banquet was an unqualified success from start to finish and the spirits of the lads,, freed from school for the holidays, were at their height.

The boys assembled in the parlors of the building and marched in good order to the banquet hall, where a most elaborate spread awaited them. Mr. J. U. King, who has proven to be always a very loyal and true friend to the boys of Wilmington, presided as toastmaster. The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Karl Moench, after which Mr. J. B. Huntington, the genial and efficient general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., delivered in his usual and happy way, a most cordial address of welcome. His talk embodied most wholesome counsel and advice to the boys and they listened with close attention.

Following Mr. Huntington's talk several of the young fellows made short talks, which were well received and which reflected the wholesome influences which the association has on the lives of the boys.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, was the next speaker and he delivered an enthusiastic address on "Clean Sports," and it is seldom that this subject is treated in a more masterful manner than was displayed by Dr. Wells. Rev. Wm. E. Cox, rector of St. Johns Episcopal church, followed with an address on "What Does a Boy's Life Mean to His Fellow Men?" The speech was a most interesting one and was heartily applauded by all. Dr. Moench, the educational director of the Y. M. C. A., who has proven a most loyal friend to the boys since coming to Wilmington, spoke on "Moral Cleanliness of Boys" and drew a comparison of the boys in different countries he has visited. He closed with a warm tribute to the inspiring influence of the glorious old Stars and Stripes which created a heart-felt enthusiasm.

Following Dr. Moench Mr. J. L. Strickland, the clever assistant secretary, spoke. Mr. Strickland has only recently taken up the work here but he has already won the fullest confidence of all with whom he has come in contact. He spoke with special emphasis concerning his work among the boys, and his remarks were heard with much interest.

The speches were interspersed with various hymns and the evening was most enjoyably spent. A vote of thanks was expressed to all who had helped to make the affair such a large success, following which the meeting broke up.

EVENTS NOW A CERTAINTY

Aviation Meet Will Be Given at Highwood Park New Year's Day

All doubt as to whetner the proposed aviation meet would be given at Highwood Park New Year's Day was removed yesterday morning when Mr. Walter Brookins, the well-known aviator, telegraphed his manager, Mr. Romolo A. Fanciulli, in this city, that he would accept the terms of the proposed contract. Mr. Frank Herbst, the local manager, then announced that the meet would certainly take place on New Year's Day and stated that he is arranging for other features, such as automobile, motorcycle and horse races, which will furnish diversion and entertainment for the crowds between flights of the aviator. Mr. Brookins stated in his telegram that he would ship his machine, a famous Wright aeroplane, to Wilmington within a few days and will arrive himself a few days before the event is scheduled to take place. As stated yesterday morning the machine has capacity for carrying a passenger and it is announced that a passenger will be carried by the aviator on nearly all his trips at Highwood Park. Mr. Herbst expects the meet to eclipse the event of last Spring and in addition to thousands of townspeople he hoped to have the attendance of hundreds of people from the surrounding section.

It is probable that the Wilmington, Brunswick & Southern Railroad will be asked to run an excursion from Southport to Wilmington on New Year's Day on account of the event. An excursion train from Brunswick metropolis would likely bring several hundred people to the city for the event.

ONLY TWO MORE DAYS REMAIN.

Host of Christmas Shoppers Out Yesterday and Last Night.

Notwithstanding the fact that yesterday was another disagreeable day, a drizzily rain falling throughout the day, there were hundreds of Christmas shoppers on the streets and in the stores. With only two more days left in which to do Christmas shopping it is most likely that there will be hosts of shoppers in the down town district today and tomorrow, regardless of weather conditions. The sales yesterday were large in most of the establishments, but greater business is expected today and tomorrow will most likely be the best day of the week, as usual. Yesterday was such an unpleasant day to be out that those who ventured away from home were down town solely for the purpose of making purchases, but if the weather is pretty today and tomorrow there will be hundreds who will be attracted on account of the beautiful window displays and the pleasure of being in the hustling, bustling crowd.

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Christmas and New Year Holiday Excursion Rates

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ALDERMAN FOUND GUILTY

Offered Bribe in Connection With Passing Heating Ordinance

Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 21.—Alderman Walter E. Gibson, of Gary, Ind., was found guilty tonight of bribery in connection with the passage by the Gary Common Council of a heating franchise ordinance secured by Thomas N. Dean, of Louisville, Ky., who was the State's chief witness. It is said to be the first conviction in which a dictaphone played an important part.

It is the first of several trials of Gary officials on charges of bribery which will be held in Crown Point.

Dean testified that he came to Gary to invest in a heating plant. He was told, he said, he could not get a franchise unless he should "see" some of the city officials. He testified that Gibson was one official "he saw" in the way of paying a bribe, in consideration for a favorable vote. Dean substantiated his statement by causing to be made dictaphone records of his conversation with Gibson. The dictaphone, a delicate electrical instrument which gathers sounds in one room and transmits them to a telephone receiver elsewhere, carried conversation in this case to the stenographers. The stenographers read into the record what purported to be the conversation, including the alleged offers of bribes and their acceptance.

WANT INVESTIGATION

Southwestern Tariff Association Rates Claimed to Be Exorbitant

Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 21.—A movement aiming at Federal investigation of the Southeastern Tariff Association to ascertain if it is a trust controlling insurance rates has been started in several Alabama cities. It is said the association fixes rates arbitrary and those interestde believe rates should be lower. Local municipal insurance commissioners have adopted resolutions calling upon the State Attorney General and Attorney General Wickersham for immediate investigation.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Layer cakes—lemon, orange, cocoanut and chocolate. Come early and avoid the rush. Warren's Bakery. **

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
"The Store That's Always Busy."

OPENING OF TOYLAND

Our Toy Department, covering the Entire Basement Floor, awaits you with a well-selected stock of TOYS. You are cordially invited to inspect our magnificent showing of Holiday Goods, whether you come to buy or not.

Of Gifts that will be appreciated above everything else—because nothing is so appreciated as "Something to Wear."

SANTA CLAUS is growing more practical each year, and, instead of the things that satisfy the eye alone, so common in years gone by, we now witness the giving of those wholesome, useful and practical things which one would buy for himself and which are not only gratefully received on Christmas Day, but are a source of much joy and pleasure for many days to come.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Dolls, Games, Tool Chests, Drums, Guns, Magic Lanterns, Carriages, Trunks, Horns, Trains, Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Houses, Stores.

EVERYTHING DISPLAYED.
Where you can readily inspect the goods and make your selections, however busy we may be.

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Make a most acceptable present. They are handy, neat and comfortable. $1.00 to $10.00.

GLOVES.
of all kinds are here in vast assortments. Wool Gloves, Kid Gloves, Silk Gloves, 50c. to $3.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
All kinds, from the cheapest to the best—great values at 5c. to $1.00 each.

LADIES' SWEATERS.
Sweaters of quality, very reasonably priced; all color creations, $1.50 to $4.00.

STYLISH NEW HATS.
The latest shapes and shades. The right styles and qualities, at the right prices, $1.50 to $15.00.

For Mother, Grandmother, Sister or Daughter, would be "Just Fine."

Ladies' Suits, $10.00 to $40.00. Misses' Coats, $5.00 to $15.00

Children's Coats, $2.50 to $10.00 Ladies' Coats, $5.00 to $35.00.

SILK NECK SCARFS.
are sensible, serviceable and beautiful, 75c. to $4.00.

BATH ROBES.
and Lounging Robes make excellent gifts. Ours are very attractive this year; $4.00 to $7.50.

HOSIERY.
An immense line of Hosiery in all the shades one can imagine, priced 25c. to $2.00 a pair.

DRESS SKIRTS.
of attractive styles and excellent qualities. They make fine gifts.

UMBRELLAS.
make an attractive gift—they are useful and certain to be appreciated

DRESS GOODS.
are highly appreciated. You will find the correct shades and styles here—25c. to $2.50.

ART SQUARES.
Brussels, Velvet and Axminster Art Squares, $10.00 to $35.00; these are useful presents.

SILVER NOVELTIES.
at reasonable prices. Jewel Boxes, Hair Receivers, Gilt Frames, Pin Holders, Ash Trays and a thousand other novelties which we cannot mention. We invite you to call.

Commence right away to do your Christmas trading; come forenoons, if you can; the sooner you come the better the assortments will be, and then you won't have to hurry. Make selections now; we'll deliver when you want us to. We are showing, by far, the finest collection of desirable gifts for everybody ever shown here.

"The story of Christmas is the story of human sacrifice. The charm of Christmas is the charm of generosity. Sacrifice and generosity go hand in hand in the world-wide willingness of all mankind to give at Christmas time."

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

RED CROSS SEAL.

One seal for a penny—you'll take how many?
Red's for the glow of the Christmas cheer;
White's for the peace of the brand new year;
Green's for the brow, not for the bier.
Who'll drop a penny instead of a tear,
To lessen the list in the brand new year?

Mr. Harris Alderman is at home from college for the holidays.

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Miss Dorothy Solky will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Solky, before returning to school.

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Mr. Robert Strange, Jr., a student of the University of North Carolina, has arrived to spend the holidays with home folks.

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Mrs. G. P. Watkins and Miss Lena Spinks, of Albemarle, are guests at the home of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mercer, No. 215 South Second street.

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Mr. Irving Corbett has arrived from Georgetown University, where he is a student, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Corbett.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bell, of Richmond, Va., arrived yesterday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Bell's mother, Mrs. J. J. Kelly, No. 115 North Fourth street.

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Miss Reba Johnson arrived last evening from Peace Institute and will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fetter, at their pretty home at Carolina Heights.

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Mr. Harry B. Mercer, who is now in his senior year at A. & M. College, Raleigh, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mercer, on South Second street.

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Miss Lottie Kerr returned Wednesday night to her home at Acorn Branch from Louisburg Female College, where she is a student, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kerr.

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There will be a meeting tonight at 8 o'clock of the Comrades of Grace Methodist Church. The meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Bob Houston, corner Third and Walnut streets. All members are urged to attend.

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A committee from the Home Mission Society of Grace Methodist church will be in the ladies' parlors at the church tomorrow morning until noon for the purpose of receiving contributions for the Christmas baskets.

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Mr. Joe Schad, the well known contractor and builder, has gone to Hampton Springs, Fla., where he will spend some time. Friends will sincerely hope that the change will greatly benefit his health which has not been so good of late.

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Mr. Arthur Bluethenthal, who won National fame as a football player on the Princeton University team the past season, arrived yesterday morning to spend the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Bluethenthal.

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Mr. L. Avon Blue, Jr., a student at the University of North Carolina, is at home to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther A. Blue, 319 Chesnut street. He is enthusiastic in his praisa of the University where nearly 900 students are enrolled for the current year.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fetter and two children, of Greensboro, arrived last evening and will spend the holiday season with the family of Mr. Fetter's brother, Mr. F. A. Fetter, in Carolina Heights. Mr. Fetter is one of the officers of the Person Remedy Company and is quite well known to many Wilmington friends, who will be delighted to welcome him for the holidays.

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Miss Mary Bell Heyer, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Heyer, returned home yesterday for the Christmas holidays. Miss Heyer is taking a course at the Art Students' League, New York City, and she will return to her work after the holidays. The young Wilmington artist has talent of a high order and fine compliments for her painting come from the critics of the Metropolis.

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Friends will be interested in the forthcoming marriage of Mr. Claude McClamb and Miss Jesse Newbold, which will be solemnized this morning at 8 o'clock, following which the young people will leave for a bridal tour to points of interest in the North. Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist Church, will perform the ceremony. Mr. McClamb is a pharmacist and is connected with Mr. Robert R. Bellamy's drug store. His bride is the daughter of Mr. J. J. Newbold, of Cronly, but has made her home in Wilmington for some time. Both of the young people have scores of friends who will tender them sincere congratulations and wish for them a long and happily married life.

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RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS AT THE POSTOFFICE

A corps of young ladies, chaperoned by a member of the Wilmington Chapter of the National Red Cross Society, will be in attendance at the postoffice during the remainder of the week and will offer for sale the beautiful little Christmas seals that are being sold for the benefit of the anti-tuberculosis fund which had been made such good use of during the past year. Every patron of the postoffice is urged to purchase these stamps and use them on their Christmas packages and letters as nothing can better evidence the true spirit of the Christmas season than these little reminders of the sender's charity and love for humanity. The stamps are but a penny apiece, but in the aggregate the amount is large and everybody is urged to use them. The Wilmington ladies have just 15,000 of these stamps left, but if 100 people will buy 50 of them, and 50 people will take 100 and and 200 people will take just 10 each, the entire amount will be sold by Christmas. Now let everyone do his or her part and the victory will be complete. The time is now and remember but a few days remain before it will be too late to enter into this great work in which every person should have a part, however small.

Why not a pair of our Felt Slippers for an Xmas gift? Hewlett & Price. **

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. N. V. Crawford, of Clinton, was here yesterday.

—Mr. K. C. Council, of Wananish, was a guest at The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. D. R. Wells, of Newberlin, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Mr. Geo. R. Boyd, of Wilson, was here yesterday, a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. J. A. Wooten, of Bladenboro, was in the city yesterday making business calls.

—Mr. P. S. Kornegay, of Lumberton, was among the guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. A. W. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, was among yesterday's arrivals at The Orton.

—Mr. H. Whitcover, of South Carolina, was among last evening's arrivals at The Orton.

—Mr. C. H. Weathersby, of Maysville, N. C., was here yesterday, stopping at The Orton.

—Miss Bertha Sandlin, of Hamsville, was here yesterday on a shopping trip, a guest at The Orton.

—Messrs. H. C. Bridgers, Jr., and W. A. Hester, of Bladenboro, were among yesterday's guests at The Orton.

—Messrs. H. L. Lyon, David J. Lewis and Donald McRackan, of the Whiteville bar, were here yesterday, guests at The Orton.

—Among the out-of-town people here yesterday were Mr. Wm. M. Bryan and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. O'Hagan, of Southport; Mr. E. M. Nance, of Fair Bluff.

—Among the Christmas shoppers in the city yesterday, guests at The Orton, were Mr. J. G. Thompson and Miss Gladys Thompson, Whiteville, and Miss Agnes Council, Wananish.

AFTER THE CRIMINALS.

Much Work Being Done Under Leadership of Detective Branch.

Under the leadership of Detective S. L. Branch, of Charlotte, who was recently employed by the Department of Public Safety to do some special work in this city, a number of criminals have been rounded up and as a result burglaries, house-breakings and robberies are less numerous for the past three or four days. He seems to have the situation well in hand and it is believed that within a few days now so many of the criminal element will be doing time that there will be none left to terrorize the community with their daring robberies and burglaries. Detective Branch is assisted in his work by a number of police officers in citizens' clothes, and also a few special officers.

Mr. Branch is an earnest and energetic young man and things have been moving pretty lively in police circles since his arrival a little over a week ago. Of course, Mr. Branch is always in close touch with Chief of Police John J. Fowler and the latter is often remains at the hall until the wee small hours of the morning in order to issue warrants that must be sered before daylight.

The police officers, especially those at the hall, are not under quite as great a strain as they were a few days ago when almost every hour during the night the telephone bell would jingle and a voice at the other end would make report of a burglary or attempted burglary. The officers now have hopes that the reign of lawlessness in the way of burglaries and robberies will soon cease for a period.

Already something like 25 persons, white and black, have been arrested as a result of efforts to round up all persons who have no visible means of support. Of this number several are on the county roads and others are waiting to be given a term at the same place.

In conversation last night with Councilman B. C. Moore, in charge of the Department of Public Safety, he stated that by a comparison of the police blotter he found that under the present administration, that is, from May 6th last, until December 21st, there had been made 1,426 arrests, against 896 arrests for the same period last year, an increase of 530. He pointed out that there has been a great influx of the criminal element of negroes from South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama this year, probably a greater number than for any year since 1898, and that it is these negroes who are giving the police so much trouble, and who are responsible for many of the crimes within the borders of the city and have most likely had a prominent part in the burglaries and house-breakings. When these have been rounded up on some charge and given a term on the roads conditions as regards crime should improve, in the opinion of the Councilman.

Heavy Travel on Railroads

The heavy Christmas travel on the railroads is reflected by the delay in the arrival of the Wilmington-bound trains, every one of which is running from half an hour to two hours late now with prospects of being still later as Christmas Day approaches. Express is also very heavy at this season of the year and this partly accounts for the failure of the trains to maintain the schedule. It will be some days yet before the travel assumes anything like normal conditions. The train from the North last night did not arrive until after 8 o'clock and it was 9 o'clock before the night trains on both the Seaboard and A. & Y. train came in, while the midnight trains on both the Seaboard and Coast Line were late.

Struck by Automobile

Mr. A. F. Blizzard, an employe of the street department, while at his duties gathering paper, trash, etc., at corner Front and Princess streets about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was struck by an automobile owned and driven by Mr. D. M. Beardsley. Mr. Blizzard was knocked down, but fortunately was not seriously hurt, suffering only a bruise on his right leg. He came to The Star office early in the evening and said that he desired it stated that Mr. Beardsley was in no way to blame for the accident, as he did all he could to stop the machine before it struck him.

..Theatrical..

Three big films of high-class motion pictures and a big new song hit by Mr. Harry Morgan, together with a good orchestra and a warm, comfortable house, will attract the throngs of holiday merry-makers to Tue Grand Theatre today and the management is preparing to accommodate all who come. A big Lubin film, "The Mexican," a dramatic story of the border, will be the topliner, while there will be a rich, roaring comedy, "Taking His Medicine" and a beautiful animal story of "Her Pet," the last two Biograph subjects. Every little second has an interest all its own in "The Mexican," which has to do with an insolent landlord, Senor Lopez, and Tom Harvey, one of Uncle Sam's brave troopers and a beautiful young girl, who is Tom's sweetheart. A gang of bandits give color to the picture and all told there will be 1,000 of quick sensations from start to finish. In "Taking His Medicine," the spectator is introduced to "Lazy Lou," who had rather fish than to work and "Her Pet" is a pretty little story of a poodle and the boy who answered a lost ad. Mr. Morgan will sing the latest song hit, "Haven't You Forgotten Something Dearie?" Remember that all your friends will be at The Grand Theatre this afternoon and tonight.

At The Bijou

More fine shows and more big audiences was the record yesterday at The Bijou, thus keeping up the joy-riding pace of this popular and attractive theatre. Those at The Bijou, and their name was legion, not only found a bright and delightful programme, but a spot of solid comfort—an oasis in the disagreeable weather of yesterday. But its the Bijou's proud boast that it is always as "warm as a toast" in Winter and as cool as ice in Summer Today's bill at The Bijou will add to the fame and no doubt, fortune of this theatre. Today's bill will be another one in the big series of holiday bills now being presented, and it will be one of the very best. There will be the usual three reels of films, and they will be jammed to the rims with the freshest and the most expensive, and the musical programme is simply a daisy, and will include a swell New York musical comedy song hit to be sung by Mr. Frank Banks. The star film for today will be "As in the Looking Glass," and it is especially suitable for this festive period. It is a photo-play with a big moral. A father goes home drunk and cuts up queer antics. His little children behold them and, in their innocence, think them funny. Next day they imitate father, and he sees them. Never more does he drink and make his home unhappy.

BASKETS AND A TREE.

Salvation Army to Brighten the Yuletide for the Poor.

The local post of the Salvation Army, in charge of Adjutant and Mrs. Mataxas, has been busy now for several weeks making preparations to distribute baskets among the worthy poor families of the city and also to provide a Christmas tree for the poor children. Arrangements have been made to distribute 120 baskets among the poor of the city early Monday morning and to provide a tree for the children. It was the idea to have the Christmas tree Wednesday at first, but several lodges and other organizations of the city have hinted to the Army that if the tree was postponed until New Year's Day there might be many more gifts for the poor children and the suggestion has been adopted.

Owing to the high price of chicken the Army will not put a fowl in each basket this year as had been planned, but instead will substitute from five to six pounds of ham, along with quite a number of other articles of food, all of which will be acceptable to those who will receive them. The provisions in each basket will be sufficient to provide a substantial feast for at least 15 persons and several good meals for the ordinary family.

The people of Wilmington have been generous and have aided the Army in a substantial way in its efforts to brighten the Yuletide season for the poor—to many of whom, but for the efforts of the Army or some generous friends, Christmas would serve only to emphasize the tragedy of poverty. However, those who desire can still donate to the cause, either in funds or in articles of wear and food, all of which can be used to a more than good advantage. The pot in front of the postoffice is a convenient place to deposit your contribution when shopping downtown.

Entertainment Disappointing.

Mr. Karl Jansen, the well known Swedish humorist and entertainer, appeared at the Boys' Brigade armory last night as the third attraction of the Lyceum Course. The entertainment is said to have been disappointing to the large audience, which only occasionally found anything which pleased. The humorist must certainly have been at his worst last night for he has pleased many large audiences on many former occasions at various points in this and other States. However, he did not please last night, not even a small portion of the audience. Mr. Chas. Dushan, secretary of the Boys' Brigade, asked that it be said that he desires to personally apologize to the ticket holders for having presented such a disappointing attraction and to assure all that he was as much bored as they were. He said that from the recommendations he expected an entertainment on a parity with the high class attractions that hove heretofore been presented by the Brigade.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

Delicious chocolate candy 20c per pound. Warren's Bakery, Phone 246. **

LOCAL DOTS.

—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. Abraham Katz and Miss Ida Horowitz, both of this city. The parents of the young couple live in Russia. It is understood that the ceremony will be performed Sunday.

—Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "The Cape Fear river has fallen 10 feet within the last 24 hours, showing a depth at the wharves here this morning of about 10 feet. The steamer City of Fayetteville cleared for Wilmington today."

—Steven Hicks, colored, was arrested last night by Special Officer E. R. Chadwick on a warrant charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon. It is alleged that Hicks struck a colored woman with a weight from a pair of scales. The woman was not seriously wounded.

—A suit case containing ladies' clothing, was left by a gentleman at northwest corner of Front and Red Cross streets upon the arrival of the train from the North yesterday evening. Elsewhere in today's paper, a reward is offered for its return to the owner at Gieschen Brothers. The suit case belongs to a lady, who is very desirous of its return.

Begin Work After Christmas

Councilman P. Q. Moore, in charge of the Department of Streets and Wharves, said yesterday that owing to the nearness of the holidays that he would not undertake the Front street improvement until after Christmas. He said that he expects the asphalt blocks to arrive almost any day now. After the Christmas holidays are numbered among the things that are in the past, Councilman Moore will begin at once to prosecute the street improvement work. Early in the new year the Front street work will be begun and pushed to a rapid completion, while at the same time work in other parts of the city will be in progress.

Kindergarten Closes

Closing exercises preparatory to the holiday vacation were held by the kindergarten department of Immanuel Presbyterian church yesterday and were attended by a large audience of parents and friends of the little tots. The programme consisted of a number of songs and recitations and the children went through their parts in a manner which reflects much credit upon their teachers, Misses Savage and Bonitz. Following the exercises each of the tots received a present from gaily decorated Christmas tree. The affair was a most enjoyable one

FIGHTING IN PERSIA

Dispatches Relate Skirmishes Between Persians and Russians

Teheran, Dec. 21.—That serious fighting has commenced between the Persian constitutionalists and Russian troops is evidenced in dispatches from Tabriz, which state that the Governor's palace has been bombarded. There were casualties on both sides but their extent is not yet known. The Russian legation here professes tonight to have no details of the engagement.

There has been fighting also between the Russians and Persians at Enzeli on the Caspian Sea and at Reisht, 16 miles northwest of Enzoli Conflicting versions ar egiven as to the cause of the fighting. One says the Russians seized the police headquarters at Reisht. It is expected the news will have a deplorable effect on public opinion in Teheran. The special commission of five deputies which the national council yesterday decided to appoint to deal with the Russian ultimatum has not yet been formed, owing to the reluctance of the deputies to serve.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Among the nominations sent to the Senate by the President were Franklin Mott Gunther and M. Marshall Langhorne, of Virginia, to be secretaries of legations at Lisbon, Portugal and San Jose, Costa Rica, respectively.

We have the largest line of Xmas Cakes in the city. Fruit Cake, "Home Made." Pound Cake, Citron Cake, Sally White Cake. Call at our Bakery and look for yourself. Farris Bakery, 121 South Front. de 18-6t.

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CHAS. M. STIEFF

No. 213 Princess Street. S. R. COLEY, Manager.

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Not only are Florida oranges and grapefruit more juicy and better flavored than any other, but they are produced in many kinds, each of seasonable value.

Other citrus-fruit countries have been able to grow only two or three different types of oranges and grapefruit, and the entire crop is of these types, regardless of season.

Florida fruits are to be had in types and varieties that are just as seasonable as apples—you wouldn't buy summer apples in fall, or winter kinds in summer.

Buy Florida oranges and grapefruit by the box, to secure the best quality, and be sure the box has on it in big red letters the mark of the Florida Citrus Exchange. Every box with this mark contains fruit of known quality and recipe booklet, merchandise coupons, etc. (Booklet without coupon will be mailed for four cents in stamps by Florida Citrus Exchange, Tampa, Florida).

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON NERVOUS, UNSETTLED

Labor Disputes Reported in Lancashire Which May Rise in Lockout—Closed at Decline of Several Points.

New York, Dec. 21.—Reports that labor disputes in Lancashire spinning circles might rise in a general strike or lockout, tended to render the cotton market still more nervous and unsettled today, and fluctuations were very irregular, with the close barely steady, at a net decline of 5@11 points.

The market opened steady, at an advance of 2 points on December, but generally unchanged to 3 points lower and during the middle of the morning sold off to a net loss of 7@10 points, under a renewal of local bear pressure, liquidation by recent buyers for a turn, and the appearance of heavy selling orders in the hands of the spot brokers, who were heavy buyers early in the week. Disappointing cables and the talk of labor troubles abroad were evidently the factors, but the early offerings were well absorbed on a scale down, and the market during the middle of the day rallied rather sharply on a renewal of bull support and continued covering for over the holidays, much of which seemed to come from Memphis and New Orleans.

December and January contracts made new high grounds for the movement on this bulge, selling 26@6 points above the closing figures of yesterday, but the upward movement was checked a point over yesterday's finals, on later deliveries, and the market later broke sharply, owing to a withdrawal of bull support and scattering liquidation, with the close at practically the lowest level of the day. Reports that the western belt was offering spot cotton more freely were probably a factor in the late trading, and in connection with the unfavorable trade reports from abroad constituted practically the only fresh feature in the day's news.

Private cables from Liverpool reported that the market there had been unfavorably influenced by larger offerings of actual as well as by unfavorable labor situation in Manchester and Liverpool was a heavy seller here during the early trading. Receipts today, 71,519 bales, against 60,630 last week and 44,676 last year. Today's receipts at Galveston, 22,502, against 11,459 last year; and at New Orleans, 12,654, against 13,113 last year, and at Houston, 16,537, against 8,849 last year.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 9c5; middling gulf, 9c0; sales, 6,200 bales.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	8.94	8.98	8.85	8.87
Feb	8.98	9.05	8.90	8.94
Mar	9.11	9.12	9.01	9.02
Apr				9.05
May	9.19	9.22	9.11	9.12
June	9.23			9.13
July	9.26	9.30	9.19	9.20
Aug	9.28			9.21
Sept	9.32	9.32	9.27	9.27
Oct	9.37	9.38	9.28	9.29
Nov	9.40	9.41	9.38	9.32
Dec	9.42	9.46	9.30	9.31

MOVEMENT.

9⅝; net receipts, 22,-
22,502; sales, 3,034;
Britain, 7,708; const-

9 3-16; net receipts,
12,661; sales, 2,330;

1,246; gross re-
727; coastwise, 7.
steady, 8⅝; net re-
ceipts, 11,104; sales,
astwise, 150.
⅝; net receipts, 3,-
302; stock, 55,098;

8⅝; net receipts,
51; stock, 28,177.
net receipts, 3,858;
ales, 1,070; stock,
coastwise, 1,414.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9⅝; stock, 5,667.

New York—Quiet, 9.05; net receipts, 35; gross receipts, 6,634; sales, 6,200; stock, 134,855; continent, 3,950; coastwise, 687.

Boston—Quiet, 9.65; net receipts, 423; gross receipts, 2,122; stock, 16,976; Great Britain, 4,997.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.90; stock, 4,100; continent, 550.

Brunswick—Stock, 9,953.

Gulfport—Stock, 4,100; France, 12,242.

Port Arthur—Net receipts, 93; gross receipts, 93; continent, 93.

Texas City—Net receipts, 958; gross receipts, 958; stock, 73,841; Great Britain, 4,787; France, 9,377; continent, 14,494; coastwise, 25.

Pensacola—Net receipts, 12,242; gross receipts, 12,242; France, 12,242

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 291; gross receipts, 291; coastwise, 291.

Total today at all ports—Net, 71,519; Great Britain, 17,492; France, 33,861; continent, 19,087; stock, 1,506,536.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 392,767; Great Britain, 73,838; France, 47,968; continent, 110,007; Japan, 30,673.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,714,875; Great Britain, 1,992,563; France, 598,735; continent, 1,895,320; Japan, 144,678; Mexico, 3,235.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Easy, 9⅜; net receipts, 16,537; gross receipts, 16,537; shipments, 19,024; sales, 4,014; stock, 177,791.

Augusta—Steady, 9⅛; net receipts, 2,609; gross receipts, 3,003; shipments, 2,596; sales, 1,121; stock, 89,951.

Memphis—Firm, 5⅝; net receipts, 3,990; gross receipts, 5,099; shipments, 5,473; sales, 5,500; stock, 200,078.

St. Louis—Quiet, 9⅜; net receipts, 817; gross receipts, 4,727; shipments, 5,026; sales, 635; stock, 26,356.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,965; gross receipts, 1,965; shipments, 2,546; stock, 11,334.

Little Rock—Quiet, 9; net receipts, 1,633; gross receipts, 1,633; shipments, 2,590; stock, 42,718.

Total today—Net receipts, 27,611; gross receipts, 32,904; shipments, 36,255; sales, 11,270; stock, 548,828.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Argentine reports of perfect harvest weather laid a heavy hand on wheat and indirectly on all other grain. Closing figures were at a net decline, ⅝@⅞ to 1@1⅛., Latest grading left corn ⅝@⅞@⅞c. down; oats, off ¾@1c., and hog products varying from last night's level to 7½c. below.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 96@96¾; No. 3, red, 94@95; No. 2, hard, 97½@1.01; No. 3, hard, 95@98; No. 1, northern, 1.06@1.09; No. 2, northern, 1.04@1.07; No. 3, northern, 1.02@1.05; No. 2, Spring, 97@1.02; No. 4, Spring, 85@1.00; velvet chaff, 90@1.05; durum, 90@1.02.

Corn—No. 2, old, 70; No. 2, yellow, old, 72; No. 3, 61½@63; No. 3, white, 61½@63; No. 3, yellow, 61½@63; No. 4, 58½@60¼; No. 4, white, 60@60¾; No. 4, yellow, 59½@60.

Oats—No. 2, white, 48@48¾; No. 3, 46; No. 3, white, 46¾@47¾; No. 4, white, 45@47½.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	94½	94⅝	94	94
May	98⅞	98⅞	98⅛	98⅛
July	94¼	94¼	93⅝	93⅝
Corn:				
Dec	64	64	63¼	63¼
May	65⅛	65⅛	64¼	64⅝
July	65⅛	65⅛	64¼	64⅝
Oats:				
Dec	46¾	46¾	46¾	46⅝
May	48⅜	48⅝	47½	47⅝
July	45⅛	45⅛	44⅝	44⅝
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
May	16.12½	16.12½	16.00	16.02½
July	16.30	16.30	16.17½	16.20
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	9.17½	9.20	9.15	9.17½
May	9.42½	9.45	9.42½	9.42½
July	9.55	9.57½	9.52½	9.52½
Short ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.32½	8.35	8.30	8.30
May	8.62½	8.65	8.60	8.66
July	8 65	8.65	8.65	8.65

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MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Hilmere (Br.), 2,239 tons, Griffiths, Rio Janeiro via Norfolk, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schr. Warren B. Potter, 311 tons, Hammett, New York, C. D. Maffitt.

Str. Lyon, Edge, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Str. Lisbon, Wilson, Elizabethtown, J. W. Brooks.

Cleared.

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Schr. John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, New York, J. S. Williams.

Schr. Herbert May, 321 tons, Black, New York, C. D. Maffitt.

Str. Appenine (Br.), 2,306 tons, Evans, Bremen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Foreign.

Bremen—Br. str. Appenine, 18,500 bales, valued at $678,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Coastwise.

New York—Schr. John W. Hall, 329,000 ft. lumber; cargo by Cape Fear Lumber Co.; vessel by master.

New York—Schr. Herbert May, 358,000 ft. lumber; cargo by Buell-Crocker Lumber Co.; vessel by C. D. Maffitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Hilmere (Br.), 2,239 tons, Griffiths, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Runswick (Br.), 1,940 tons; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, Heide & Co.

Bengrove (Br.), 2,389 tons, Barber, Heide & Co.

Loviand (Nor.), 1,463 tons, Terjesen, Heide & Co.

Glenmay (Br.), 1,575 tons, Richards, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Warren B. Potter, 311 tons, Hummett, C. D. Maffitt.

Eliza A. Scribner, 350 tons, Dodd, C. D. Maffitt.

Mineola (Br.), 270 tons, Forsythe, C. D. Maffitt.

Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Hopkins, C. D. Maffitt.

Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, C. D. Maffitt.

Edward R. Baird, Jr., 263 tons, Calhoun, C. D. Maffitt.

Granville R. Bacon, 339 tons, Bennett, C. D. Maffitt.

White Wings, 624 tons, Coombs, C. D. Maffitt.

Augustus H. Babcock, 1,229 tons, Quinlin, C. D. Maffitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Maffitt; in distress.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 21, 1911.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,258 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 24 barrels rosin; 24 barrels tar; 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—493 bales cotton; 6 barrels tar; 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Whitlock—5 casks spirits turpentine; 30 barrels rosin.

Total — 2,751 bales cotton; 9 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels rosin; 30 barrels tar; 15 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—2,748 bales cotton; 12 casks spirits turpentine; 101 barrels rosin; 100 barrels tar; 21 barrels crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 21.—Flour was quiet and about steady.

Rye Flour—Barely steady.

Buckwheat Flour—Firm.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Quiet.

Barley—Steady.

Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2, red, 95½, elevator, export basis, to arrive, and 98 f.o.b. afloat. Options closed ¾@⅞c. net lower. December, 98⅞; May, 1.02 13-16.

Corn—Spot, easy; export, new, 69¾ f.o.b. afloat. Options, nominal.

Oats—Spot, easy; standard white, 53 in elevator; No. 2, 53½.

Pork—Steady.

Lard—Easy.

Tallow—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Refined, steady; raw, weak.

Coffee—Futures closed 2 points lower on December, and from unchanged to 5 points net higher on other months. Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14⅜@14½; Santos, No. 4, 15¾; mild, quiet; Cordova, 16½@18½, nominal.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Weak.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Weak. Red, ton, 24.00@26.00.

Freights—Unchanged.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet and featureless. Spot closed 7 points lower. Futures generally 7@12 points lower. Dec., 7.32@7.34; Jan., 7.32@7.33; Feb., 5.35@5.36; Mr., 5.39@5.40; Apr., 5.41@5.44; prime crude, 4.13@4.20; do. Summer yellow, 5.20@5.35; prime Winter yellow, 5.55@6.40; do. Summer white, 5.35@5.73.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 21.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady, 48 cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $6.10.

TAR—Firm at $1.90 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.50 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.60; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	9
Rosin	54
Tar	30
Crude Turpentine	15

Receipts same day last year, 12 casks spirits turpentine; 101 barrels rosin; 100 barrels tar; 21 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Dull, 8¾.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 2,751 bales; same day last year, 2,748 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 16.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 65 to 70c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz.

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HOLIDAYS AFFECT STOCKS

Irregularity and Weakness Shown in Some Items—Atlantic Coast Line Showed Increased Dividends.

New York, Dec. 21.—For the greater part of today's session the stock market bore the familiar aspects of the approaching holidays, the three days' respite having the effect of curtailing operation, which consisted largely of trading by the professional element. The movement at first was decidedly irregular, with pronounced weakness in the Gould issues, particularly in Texas. In the latter part of the session the market grew gradually firmer and more active, under the leadership of Lehigh Valley, Amalgamated Copper, American Smelting and other active speculative issues. The further rise in the coppers coincided with reports of another advance in the price of the metal, together with the announcement that many domestic manufacturers have recently been heavy purchasers of the metal. The market as a whole however was narrow and unconvincing, and such net gins as the day recorded were at times frequently resisted by a bear party, whose ranks seem to have been largely augmented in the early days of the week. Today's news was a mixture of good and indifferent, none of which seemed to exercise much influence marketwise. An increase in the dividend of the Atlantic Coast Line Company, which controls the railroad of that name, was accepted as an indication that the Louisville and Nashville directors might increase their dividend disbursement, but such hopes were dashed when announcement of the regular rate was made just before the end of the day. The purchase by a prominent banking house of the New York Central's issue of $15,000,000 of equipment notes which are to be offered at public sale, was the one item of banking interest, the recent demand for money from German and other foreign sources having suddenly subsided. Time money was slightly higher, as a result of the recent outflow to Europe, and a further stiffening of 30 and 60 day maturities is probable. Apart from a 3-point decline in Denver and Rio Grande 5s the bond market was firm. Total sales, par value, $4,540,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales, $86,300 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7½
Amalgamated Copper	66¾
American Agricultural	63⅜
American Beet Sugar	56⅞
American Can	10½
American Car and Foundry	53⅝
American Cotton Oil	46½
American Hide and Leather, pfd	29
American Ice Securities	18½
American Linseed	10½
American Locomotive	36¾
American Smelting and Refining	74½
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	102½
American Steel Foundries	35
American Sugar Refining	115
American Tel and Tel	139⅝
American Tobacco, pfd	103⅞
American Woolen	25½
Anaconda Mining Co	38⅜
Atchison ... N	106⅜
Atchison, pfd	103⅛
Atlantic Coast Line	134½
Baltimore and Ohio	103
Bethlehem Steel	30
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	77
Canadian Pacific	240¼
Central Leather	21
Central Leather, pfd	92
Central of New Jersey	305
Chesapeake and Ohio	74¾
Chicago and Alton	20
Chicago Great Western	19⅝
Chicago Great Western, pfd	36⅜
Chicago and North Western	142½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	110½
C., C., C. and St. Louis	60
Colorado Fuel and Iron	27½
Colorado and Southern	45
Consolidated Gas	138⅜
Corn Products	10¼
Delaware and Hudson	166
Denver and Rio Grande	18¾
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	39⅛
Distillers' Securities	31¼
Erie	32⅛
Erie, 1st pfd	53
Erie, 2nd pfd	42
General Electric	153½
Great Northern, pfd	128¼
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	38
Illinois Central	140
Interborough-Met	15⅛
Interborough-Met., pfd	48¾
Inter-Harvester	111
Inter-Marine, pfd	18⅝
International Paper	9⅝
International Pump	33
Iowa Central	16
Kansas City Southern	27¾
Kansas City Southern, pfd	65½
Louisville and Nashville	155½
Minneapolis and St. Louis	30
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	135½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	29⅛
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	62⅛
Missouri Pacific	38½
National Biscuit	138½
National Lead	54⅝
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	34⅝
New York Central	105¼
New York, Ontario and Western	39¼
Norfolk and Western	108¼
North American	73
Northern Pacific	118⅝
Pacific Mail	31
Pennsylvania	122⅞
People's Gas	103
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	96
Pittsburg Coal	17½
Pressed Steel Car	33½
Pullman Palace Car	158½
Railway Steel Spring	30½
Reading	152½
Republic Steel	27⅝
Republic Steel, pfd	84⅞
Rock Island Co	23⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	44⅞
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	41¼
St. Louis Southwestern	30
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	71
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	41
Southern Pacific	112⅞
Southern Railway	29¼
Southern Railway, pfd	71¼
Tennessee Copper	37½
Texas and Pacific	20¼
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	15
Toledo, St. L. and West., pfd	36
Union Pacific	174½
Union Pacific, pfd	93
United States Realty	68½
United States Rubber	48
United States Steel	68½
United States Steel, pfd	111½
Utah Copper	55⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	54½
Wabash	5⅞
Wabash, pfd	14¾
Western Maryland	61
Westinghouse Electric	68
Western Union	78½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	3⅞

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—Spot, good business done, prices 2 points higher. American middling fair, 5.75; good middling, 5.37; middling, 5.11; slow middling, 4.95; good ordinary, 4.79; ordinary, 4.59.

The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 2,000 were for speculation and export, and included 11,300 American. Receipts, 36,000, including 27,800 American.

Futures opened steady and closed barely steady. Dec., 4.55½; Dec. and Jan., 4.94; Jan. and Feb., 4.94; Feb. and Mar., 4.95½; Mar. and Apr., 4.96½; Apr. and May, 4.99; May and June, 5.01½; June and July, 5.03½; July and Aug., 5.05½; Aug. and Sept., 5.06; Sept. and Oct., 5.06½; Oct. and Nov., 5.05.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

North Carolinas, strong. Virginias, and Spanish, quiet and steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.25; machine-picked, $1.20.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, 95c.; machine-picked, 90c.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

Pure pound cake 25c pound. Warren's Bakery.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 22, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 55 degrees; at 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees; mean, 54 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .43 inch; for the month, 1.79 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 11.5 feet; rising.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Unsettled weather, probably rain, Friday and Saturday; light to moderate variable winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 22.

Sun rises	7:14 A. M.
Sun sets	5:07 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 53 min.
High water at Southport	9:20 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington	12:20 A. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 21, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today	Temperature Lowest Last Night	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	raining	44	36	.0
Asheville	pt cldy	52	36	.18
Atlanta	cloudy	44	34	.02
Augusta	raining	44	38	.01
Birmingham	cloudy	48	40	.01
Boston	cloudy	38	28	.0
Charleston	cloudy	52	46	1.14
Charlotte	raining	38	32	.22
Chicago	pt cldy	46	34	.20
Galveston	raining	56	34	.08
Jacksonville	raining	62	50	.0
Memphis	pt cldy	52	44	.0
Mobile	cloudy	58	50	.02
Montgomery	cldy	48	42	.02
New Orleans	raining	60	52	.01
New York	raining	40	30	.02
Palestine	cloudy	54	38	.0
Oklahoma	snowing	38	30	.18
Pittsburg	cloudy	38	32	.20
Raleigh	cloudy	44	36	.02
Savannah	cloudy	50	46	.18
Shreveport	cloudy	54	40	.0
St. Louis	pt cldy	50	40	.02
Washington	cloudy	38	32	.01

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

New York, Dec. 21.—Turpentine, quiet. Rosin, steady.

Savannah, Dec. 21.—Turpentine, firm, at 48¾@49½; sales, 369; receipts, 678; shipments, 4,565; stocks, 39,053.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 1,040; receipts, 2,839; shipments, 4,260; stocks, 136,826. Quote: B, 6.75; D, 6.80; E, 6.85; F, G, H, 6.90; I, 7.00; K, 7.20; M, N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

Charleston, Dec. 21.—Turpentine, firm, at 48¾@49¼.

Rosin—Firm. Quote: B, 6.75; D, E, 6.75@6.80; F, 6.80; G, 6.70@6.85; H, 6.10@6.90; I, 6.80@6.95; K, 7.05; M, 7.20; N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 21.—Money on call, steady, at 3½@4 per cent.; ruling rate, 4; closing bid, 3¾; offered at 4. Time loans, steady; sixty days and ninety days, 4@4¼ per cent. Six months, 4@4¼. Prime mercantile paper, 4¼@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange, weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.83 for sixty day bills, and at 4.86.20@for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82¾. Bar silver, 54⅞. Mexican dollars, 46.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 20.—Spanish—Firm at 80c. per bushel. Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c. per lb; Fancy hnd-picked, 3½c. to 3¾c. per lb. Extra prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3c. per lb.; Machine-Picked, 3c. to 3½c. per lb.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 21.—The primary cotton goods market was quiet, but with an upward tendency. Yarns quiet and inactive. Fair trade in woolen goods for men's wear for the next heavy weights seen.

TO CLOSE SATURDAY.

New York, Dec. 21.—All markets here will be closed Saturday except dairy and poultry.

ANARCHISM RAGES.

Many Deaths and Travel Unsafe in Macedonia.

London, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Salonika, European Turkey, to a London news agency reports a condition of anarchy throughout Macedonia. Murder, pillage and brigandage are rife. Travel in the country districts is safe only for large armed parties. Twenty-seven assassinations have occurred within the last month within a two hours' journey from Salonika, all the victims being Greeks.

The Christians, finding it impossible to obtain redress, are organizing bands with the object of killing the Turks.

Sofia, Dec. 21.—In the National Assembly today an interpellation was submitted regarding the anti-Christian outrages in Macedonia. Premier Guechoff announced that a number of arrests have been made in connection with the Istib massacres that the persons charged with the crime will be court martialed. The outrage referred to by the premier occurred on December 4th, when a bomb was thrown in a mosque, 12 persons being killed and 20 injured.

PEACE BANQUET.

Foreign Ambassadors Accept Invitation to Waldorf-Astoria.

New York, Dec. 21.—John Temple Graves, Charles M. Whitney and Samuel Bell Thomas, comprising the special committee which went to Washington to invite the foreign ambassadors to the peace banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria on December 30th next, returned here today and reported that the representatives of Mexico, Austria, Turkey, China, Russia and Japan have accepted the invitations, while the charge d'affaires will represent the French ambassador, who is absent in Panama.

The committee also secured acceptances of invitations to the Vice President and to the chairman of the foreign affairs committee in both the House and Senate. A special car will be assigned for the distinguished guests to travel from Washington here and return.

CHESS TOURNAMENT.

Columbia and Harvard Led in First Day's Play.

New York, Dec. 21.—Columbia and Harvard with four points a piece, led at the conclusion tonight of the first day's play in the 20th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton. Columbia made a clean sweep at all four boards against Yale, and Harvard followed suit at the expense of Princeton. Tomorrow the victors will exchange opponents, Columbia taking on Princeton and Harvard, Yale. Today's winners for Columbia were J. B. Beadle, S. H. Childs, H. A. Wise and E. L. Gluck, while T. R. Schoonmaker, C. H. Hadley, Seiniger and W. B. Harris scored for Harvard.

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The "Genuine Oliver Chilled Plows"

Ask your Local Dealer for these Celebrated Plows, and if they do not carry them in stock, write us.

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The Early Shopper Has the Choice of Christmas Goods

We have a fine selection of many articles suitable for Christmas gifts, including a great variety of leather goods, brass and metal novelties, fine pictures and illustrated books, all the latest fiction, children's books, Christmas cards and calendars, fine stationery in fancy boxes, fountain pens, Eastman's Kodaks, Globe-Wernicke bookcases, and Victoria talking machines, records, etc.

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Being opposite the Union Depot is, therefore, most convenient to Traveling Men. Large, Airy Rooms and Good Restaurant.

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TURN MILLION LOSE

Corporations Will Disburse $207,000,000 First of the Year

New York, Dec. 21.—Stockholders and bondholders of the United States will have a great deal to be happy over in the first month of the new year, which will start off with disbursements by the corporations to holders of their stock and bonds, exclusive of mining corporations, of $207,000,000. This would be at the rate of more than $2 to every man, woman and child in the United States.

This disbursement, with the Christmas bonus, will make money easy during the first few months of the year and will probably do much toward causing a revival in trade in all branches. Not only are banks and trust companies and corporations making large distributions, but private firms are doing the same.

Today it is announced that the International Harvester Company has made an appropriation of $50,000 to be distributed among 2,000 employes of the company.

Officials of the corporation declare that the gift "is in no sense a Christmas present," but merely a sharing of the year's profits of the organization among worthy workers, embracing all departments, from the men working in the shops to the managers. The sum to be presented is a fixed percentage of the net earnings of the company and is about the same as the amount given to employes a year ago.

In the matter of disbursements, dividends will total more than $66,000,000 and interest charges will be considerably in excess of $140,000,000,000.

Of the dividends, the greatest amount will come from the industrials, with $32,887,259. The railways will contribute $21,506,769, street or electric railways $4,369,014 and New York city banks and trust companies $7,292,030. The total capitalization upon which the dividends are based amounts to $3,446,264,828 and the disbursements are equivalent to more than 1 1-2 per cent. on this amount.

Dividends for the month which will exceed $1,000,000 are Canadian Pacific, $4,500,000; Southern Pacific, $4,990,359; New York Central, $2,791,215; Chicago and Northwestern common, $2,276,928; Swift & Co., $1,312,500; American Tobacco preferred, $1,180,336; United Gas Improvement, $1,109,538, and International Harvester, common, $1,000,000.

FILE ROOSEVELT'S NAME

Petition Asking That His Name Be Placed on Primary Ballots

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 21.—Commenting this evening on the filing today of the name of Colonel Roosevelt for the Presidential preference primary election in April, Governor Chester H. Aldrich said:

"Without doubt, his name could go on the ballot in every State in the Union if Colonel Roosevelt would ever give the slightest indication that he would sanction it, and he would be nominated for President at the next National convention just as easily as he was in 1904.

"Here in Nebraska there is a latent sentiment that needs but slight encouragement to become the dominating political force in the State. But in spite of Colonel Roosevelt's declaration that he does not wish to be a candidate for office under any circumstances the people of this country may put him in a position that he may feel it to be his moral and patriotic duty to accept the nomination.

"The people elected him to the exalted position of the Presidency when he wanted it and it would be his grateful duty to become a candidate because they want him.

"Colonel Roosevelt would carry Nebraska and the West by even a greater majority than he did before, which was a record breaker.

"It is my opinion that not only here in the West but over the entire country his nomination would cement and harmonize the working force of the entire Republican party."

The petition referred to asked that the name of Theodore Roosevelt be placed on the primary ballot as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President of the United States, was filed here today by Secretary of State Wait. The petition is signed by Attorney John O. Geiser, of Omaha, and 25 other voters. Mr. Geiser declined to say whether or not he was authorized by Colonel Roosevelt to file petition but admitted he had been in correspondence with Mr. Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Colonel Roosevelt was informed tonight of the move to enter his name in the Nebraska primaries and declined to comment upon it.

KILLS YOUNG BRIDE

Husband Fires at Her Mother and Sister, Then Shoots Himself

New York, Dec. 21.—Driven to desperation over the refusal of his mother-in-law to allow his bride of two months to live with him, Louis Segretta, a baker, 23 years old, of Williamsburg, shot and killed his wife, Jennie, 17 years old, this afternoon.

He first shot at his mother-in-law, Mrs. Maria Cainno, and then at his wife's sister, Genevieve, 20 years old. Both shots went wild.

Segretta next turned the revolver on himself and fired three bullets into his abodomen. He is in the Williamburg Hospital, where no hopes are held for his recovery.

PRESENTS FINAL ULTIMATUM.

Russia Demands Compliance or Troops Will Advance on Teheran.

London, Dec. 21.—The Teheran correspondent of the Morning Post says that Russia yesterday presented to Persia a final ultimatum, demanding compliance within 24 hours; otherwise, the Russian troops now stationed at Kasbin would advance on Teheran.

The National Council, says the correspondent, has now abandoned its policy of resistance and has voted the regent authority to settle in the best interests of the country. The acute stage of the crisis is believed to be ended.

"Haven't You Forgotten Something Dearie?"

One of the latest songs. Hear Mr. Morgan sing it at The Grand Theatre today. **

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

POLICE AND CRIMINALS.

Connection Between Them in Chicago, Says Civil Service Board.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—"There is and has been for years, a connection between the Chicago police department and the criminal classes of the city," says a preliminary report to Mayor Carter H. Harrison, made tonight by the city civil service commission, which has conducted an exhaustive examination of the police department.

The report followed the dismissal of John Revere, the second police inspector to lose his position as a result of the investigation. Another official, John "Sandy" Handley, was exonerated and Capt. Bernard Baer was sent to the mayor for action on charges of inefficiency and neglect of his duty. This brings the number of disciplined officials to more than a dozen.

Other pointed and direct charges are made in the commission's report and drastic changes in the administration and organization of the department are recommended. Among the assertions are these:

"That a bi-partisan political combine or ring exists by and through which the connection between the police and criminal classes is fostered and maintained.

"That to such connection may be charged a great part of the inefficiency, disorganization and lack of discipline existing in the department."

FOR CONFEDERATE PENSIONS.

Virginia Petition Signed by Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson.

(Special to Baltimore Sun.)

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 20.—Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson, widow of the famous Confederate chieftain, today affixed her signature to a petition asking that an amendment be adopted to the Sherwood "dollar a day" pension bill providing for pensions for Confederate veterans.

The petition was drawn by members of Mecklenburg Camp of Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy, and is being signed by scores of prominent citizens.

It will be sent to Congressman E. Y. Webb, of the Ninth North Carolina district, who will probably place it in the hands of the North Carolina Senators.

The petition recites that the Confederates "fought for a principle which the believed to be right, and since the war have patiently and cheerfully contributed to pensions for the Federal soldiers, and they respectfully submit that, as they help to pay this general pension, they should participate in its benefits."

SPENDS NIGHT IN PRISON.

Tennessee's Governor Closely Observes Penitentiary's Needs.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 21.—A night in the State penitentiary here convinced Governor Hooper that reforms were necessary in the State's prison system. The governor submitted to the deprication of his liberty last night so that he might observe more closely the condition of convicts who had asked Christmas pardons and today announced he would grant several conditionally. He said in the Spring the stripes would be taken off all convicts except in corrigibles and that a prison school would be started. He is urging the addition of indeterminate sentence and the parole sentence and is working for a law which will give prisoners' dependent relatives some benefits from their work in prison.

EPIDEMIC IN LINCOLN.

Mysterious Pipe Droos Contaminated Matter Into Reservoir.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 21.—A pipe, its use and source unknown, but with one terminal opening into the largest of the wells which supply the city with water, is believed to be the cause of an epidemic of gastro-intestinal disease, resembling cholera, which has attacked hundreds of persons in Lincodn. It is blamed, too, for the epidemic of typhoid fever which caused a score of deaths in the city last August.

The pipe was discovered yesterday to be dripping contaminated matter into the well. At previous investigations it has been dry and the water authorities had not suspected it was the source of disease.

SOUTHERN TRAIN WRECKED.

None of Passengers Were Injured—Spreading Rails the Cause.

Kings Mountain, N. C., Dec. 21.—Train No. 38 on the Southern Railway from Atlanta to New York, was wrecked three quarters of a mile north of here this afternoon, but though crowded with passengers, no one sustained even a scratch. The third car from the locomotive left the track and carried the three cars immediately behind along with it. The engine and two cars directly behind it and the two rear cars remained on the track. A special train from Charlotte returned with some of the passengers. The track is badly damaged and trains are being detoured by way of Columbia, S. C. It is said the wreck was caused by the track spreading.

SOUTHERN Y. M. C. A.

Important Conference at Ruston, La., During the Holidays.

Oklahoma, City, Dec. 21.—More than 50 college men will leave Oklahoma City for Ruston, La., to attend the Southern Y. M. C. A. conference of college students to be held during the holidays. The purpose of the conference is to give impetus to the college Y. M. C. A. movement in the South and to enable the students in the educational institutions to become better acquainted. Every college in Oklahoma will be represented.

Pure pound cake 25c pound. Warren's Bakery. **

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. C. L. & S. A. L.—Notice.
Home Savings Bank—Christmas Gifts.
Hopkins & Davis—We Are Headquarters.
Murchison National Bank—Capital and Surplus.
American National Bank—What Will 1912 Mean?
Crystal Palace Confectionery—Chocolates and Fruits.

Business Locals.

Lost—Suit Case.
Wanted—Rooms.
For Sale—Land.
For Sale—Mules.
For Sale—Oak Wood.
L. J. Merriman—Stolen.
Ezra A. Carter—Turkeys.
E. Warren & Son—Why Pay.
E. Warren & Son—Florida Oranges.
E. Warern & Son—Pure Sweet Cream.
E. Warren & Son—Home Made Candy.
Enterprise Plant Co.—Cabbage Plants.
Tea Cup Inn—Christmas Meeting Place.

SOUTHERN COTTON CONGRESS.

Meeting of Executive Committee Ends. Plan for Reducing Acreage.

New Orleans, Dec. 21.—The executive committee of the Southern Cotton Congress adjourned tonight after deciding upon a plan to secure a reduction in the cotton acreage of the South to the extent of 25 per cent. next year and taking steps to secure the uniform operation of the plan in all the cotton growing States.

The plan adopted is a modification of the so-called "Rockhill plan", which was proposed to the committee by J. G. Anderson, of Rockhill, S. C., and provides for securing signed pledges from farmers through State and county organizations. In the "declaration" adopted, it is specifically stated that the organization "does not wish to do anything which may be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law."

The State organizations are to call upon bankers and business men to assist the farmers in securing sufficient organization expenses. Each State organization, headed by a superintendent is to appoint committees in each county and in turn township committees are to be organized. Paid canvassers are to be employed to secure signatures of farmers to the pledges to curtail acreage.

The reports on acreage reduction in the various State superintendents are to be filed with E. J. Watson, president of the congress at Columbia, S. C., by March 1, 1911, and after the figures are compiled, they will be published throughout the South.

The committee recommended that farmers' rallies intended to aid in this movement be held on January 25th next, at every school house in the cotton belt, to be followed on January 27th by county rallies at the various county seats.

R. D. Bowen, of Paris, Texas, directed to a report published in the Farmers' Union Journal, at Arlington, Texas, over the signatures of officers of the Texas State Union, charging that the figures on which the Federal agricultural department based its estimate of the cotton crop are dostorted to the great injury of the cotton planters. This statement charged that 1,250,000 bales of cotton are virtually counted twice by the government in making up the estimate of the probable season's crop.

Governor Noel, of Mississippi, suggested that this was a very serious charge, and should be immediately brought to the attention of Secretary Wilson, at Washington.

ARRAIGNS NEWSPAPERS

For Criticisms Thrust Upon Col. Robert M. Thompson

New Orleans Dec. 21.—Newspapers of the South which have criticised Colonel Robert M. Thompson, the New York cotton speaker and his plan for financing the surplus portion of the South's cotton crop, were bitterly arraigned tonight by William H. Staten, the personal representative of Colonel Thompson in formulating this plan, at an informal gathering of representatives of the cotton farming industry here.

After Mr. Staten's remarks a heated colloquy ensued between him and Captain R. F. Kolb, Commissioner of Agriculture of Alabama. Captain Kolb denounced certain statements of Mr. Staten and the meeting was abruptly adjourned.

Captain Kolb announced that he had not only withdrawn his acceptance of a trusteeship in the proposed organization to carry into effect Colonel Thompson's plan but had advised the cotton planters of Alabama and of the South against participating in the plan, because he said it would do injury to the cotton planter.

Captain Kolb denied Mr. Staten's assertion that the plan meets with the endorsement of Charles S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' Union.

In his address Mr. Staten said that Colonel Thompson was willing to change the plans to suit Southerners.

Colonel Thompson is a friend of the South and he hates the New York Cotton Exchange more than do you people of the South, continued Mr. Staten. Wickersham is a Northern Attorney General. His partner is attorney for the New York Cotton Exchange, and already they have tried to send Colonel Thompson to jail for helping the South in his buil campaigns.

Captain Kolb's principal objection to the plan was the statement that "It is not our plan to warehouse the cotton, nor to withhold it from the channels of trade." He said this was just contrary to what the Southern farmer is now trying to obtain and would result in the cotton being marketed even faster than at present.

CONSERVATION CONGRESS

President Appoints Committees for the Ensuing Year

Kansas City, Dec. 21.—John B. White, president of the Conservation Congress, today named committees for the ensuing year. They include:

Executive committee: Prof. E. Lee Worsham, of Atlanta, chairman; J. Lewis Thompson, of Houston, Texas; Walter P. Page, editor World's Work; Dr. H. E. Bernard, of Indianapons; Mrs. Philip N. Moore, of St. Louis, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and three ex-officio members: Gifford Pinchot, of Washington; B. N. Baker, of Baltimore, and Dr. Henry C. Wallace.

Charles S. Barrett, of Union City, Ga., president of the National Farmers' Union, was placed on the committee on lands and agriculture.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.

Infant of Dr. and Mrs. Christman Loses Life at Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 21.—The three-months-old infant of Dr. W. G. Chrisman, State veterinarian, was burned to death this afternoon. The child was asleep in a cradle and the mother absent from the room. Some clothing hanging on a chair near the cradle caught from a spark and the flames quickly spread to the cradle. The mother ran into the room, being attracted by smoke issuing from the door and grabbed the baby from the burning cradle while a nurse threw a bucket of water on the child. The baby died after four hours of suffering.

Dear Sister:—At last I know what I want. Those slippers at Hewlett & Price's are bully. They are only $1.50, black or tan. Brother. **

See Dick Warren about your Xmas cakes. Phone 246. **

BUSINESS LOCALS

WANTED—Three or four rooms for light housekeeping. Will consider either furnished or unfurnished rooms. State location and rates. Address "Mond-Ray," care Star. de22-1t*

FOR SALE—F. o. b. cars Roseboro, N. C., two hundred cords of dry oak wood. Apply to L. O'Quinn, Roseboro, N. C., R. F. D. 1. de22-4t*

FOR SALE—232 acres land, 50 acres under fence. Nine room house, large barn and shed, blacksmith shop, storehouse, tenant house, all in good condition. Telephone; stock of general merchandise; good orchard and vineyard. Good 6 to 8 months school within 200 yards of house. Address P. S. Hawes, Winnabow, N. C. de22-4t

FOR SALE—One pair fine mules and one log cart. Address Daniel J. Ward, Winnabow, N. C. de22-4t

TURKEYS! TURKEYS! TURKEYS! — Dressed; chickens, chickens, chickens — dressed; giblets, pig backbone and haslets, at the lowest cash prices. Quick delivery. Pure pig lard. Call 1861. Ezra A. Carter, 4th Street Market. de22-1t*

CHRISTMAS MEETING PLACE — The Ministering Circle invites the public just two more days to the Tea Cup Inn, where hot chocolate, cakes, teas and sandwiches are served from 3:30 to 6:30. de22-1t

STOLEN—One white setter bitch with lemon colored ears, named "Bab." She has leather collar with brass badge on, which is inscribed "1910 F. M., Scranton, Pa." I will give $20 for arrest or information locating the thief. L. J. Merriman, 404 Orange street. de22-3t

HOME MADE CANDY — 15c. pound; Florida oranges, 25 and 30c. dozen; pure, sweet cream, 50c. quart; E. Warren & Son. de22-1t

WHY PAY 60c. and 80c. for candy, when we sell pure home made candy at 35c. or 3 pounds for $1.0. E. Warren & Son. de22-1t

FLORIDA ORANGES, 25c. and 30c. dozen. Fresh ground cocoanut, 15c. quart. Home made candy, 15c. pound. E. Warren & Son. de22-1t

PURE SWEET CREAM, 50c. quart; fresh ground cocoanut, 15c. quart; home made candy, 15c. pound; Florida oranges, 25c. and 30c. dozen. E. Warren & Son. de22-1t

FROST PROOF Cabbage Plants, $1.40 per thousand, delivered anywhere in North or South Carolina; plants bunched and selected. Enterprise Plant Co., Meggetts, S. C. de22-2mo

LOST—At northwest corner of Front and Red Cross streets, upon arrival of northern train yesterday evening, suit case containing ladies' clothing. Reward for return of same to Gieschen Brothers. de22-1t*

UNEQUALLED OPPORTUNITIES to learn the automobile business and get positions afterward, are offered by the Southern Automobile College, Oak Ridge, N. C. Write for particulars today. de21-12t*

POTTED PLANTS for Christmas. Palms, ferns, arancarias and other plants for sale at Greenhouse Thursday and Friday of this week. Some handsome specimens. Prices greatly reduced. Terms, cash. Mrs. R. H. McKoy, 510 South Third street; 'phone 1249. de21-2t*

FLORIDA ORANGES—Florida oranges. We have to arrive tomorrow three hundred boxes of extra sweet oranges. As no fruit vessel will be here this season let us have your orders early. All orders for oranges will be cash on delivery for them. Winstead Produce Co., 229 North Water street. Telephone 203. de19-6t

WANTED—By an import china house, energetic man to handle line on commission basis. Good opportunity for party wanting side line. Goods sold by illustrations. Have also an opening on salary basis for capable man with established trade. Address with references, J. R. Co., 32 S. Howard st., Baltimore, Md. de20-3t*

WANTED—Small black and tan or fox terrier puppy. "T. G.," care Star. de20-1t*

A LADY'S PRIDE and delight—a nice umbrella. I have them from $5.00 to $25.00. J. T. Burke, The Jeweler. no29-tf

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SEE US for your Xmas turkeys, chickens, geese, pork, beef, veal, fancy lamb and, in fact, everything good to eat. Our line this week is the very best to be found. 100 dressed geese for Friday and Saturday. Palace Market Co., 'Phone 72. de21-tf

FOR SALE — The Commercial Cafe.—Handsomest bar in city; location of the best; doing a large and profitable business; sold on account of the owner engaging in other lines. For terms and price, address P. O. Box 28, Petersburg, Va. de20-3t*

I HAVE a few thousand nice strawberry plants for sale on Westbrook and Wright farm, near 17th and Market. G. W. Westbrook, Telephone 899-3. de17-5t*

WANTED—January 1st, competent lady to take charge of Dry Goods department of uptown store. One who understands typewriter and shorthand preferred; reference. "Dry Goods," care Star. de16-12t

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HUSBANDS, Sweethearts and Wives—Save money on your Xmas gifts. Diamonds, Watches and High Grade Jewelry, at Uncle Charles', 16 South Front street. de7-tf

FOR SALE—We have several nice lots on the shell road near Winter Park across the road from the race track, 70x210. These lots are well drained. Price and terms, right. See us or 'phone us, 771. Hanover Realty Company, Sole Agents, 207 North Front street. de9-tf

WANTED TO BUY several rafts of timber, long leaf pine or rosemary. Address Northrop Lumber and Export Co., Wilmington, N. C. de19-4t

NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

UNREDEEMED SHOT GUNS, also a high grade line bought at bankrupt stock, Ithaca, Fox, Remington, Marlin and other makes. Save money and see Uncle Charles, 16 South Front street. de7-tf

FOR SALE—Four black Minorca cockerels, nine months old; two Plymouth Rock cocks, 18 months old; two white Orpington cockerels (Cook's strain), 11 months old. All thoroughbred stock. Price, $2.00 each. Winter Park Poultry Yards, Wilmington, N. C. de17-6t*

FOR SALE—5 6-room houses corner 2nd and Queen streets. This property must be sold right away. We have a nice piece of property on North Front street; will make plenty of money; call at our office, 207 North Front street, and let us tell you about it. If you have any property for sale, see us. We have several parties that want to buy city property. We also have a customer that wants to buy a nice home on some good street. Must be in a nice neighborhood. Hanover Realty Company, 207 North Front street. de8-tf

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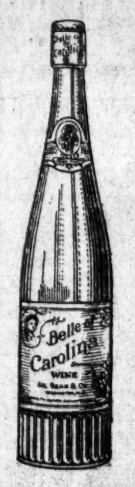

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Ladies' Evening Slippers, a variety of styles . . . $3.50
Ladies' White Buckskin Button Boots . . $4.50 to $5.00
Men's Felt Slippers, black $1.50
Men's Kid Opera Slippers, black and tan. $1.50 and $1.75
Men's Dancing Pumps, patent and gun metal . . $2.50
Puttee Riding Leggins . . . . . $3.50 and $4.00

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Pajamas . . . . . from 75c. to $2.50
Bath Robes . . . . . from $4.50 to $6.00
Handkerchiefs . . . . . from 10c. to $1.00
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